



Mae E. Clay

June 6, 2026

Mae E. (Merkel) Clay, 87, of Allentown, passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at Phoebe Home Allentown. She was the loving wife of the late Richard W. Clay. Born in Allentown, she was the daughter of the late Harvey W. and Myrle M. (Reppert) Merkel.

Mae worked for many years as a Real Estate Agent and Assistant for Patt, White Co. Realtors. Mae was a faithful and devoted member of St. Paul's UCC, Trexlertown, where she was a Deacon and Elder as well as a Sunday School Teacher. She was also the chairperson of the fundraising committee for many years and member of the St. Paul's Bowling League. Mae loved crossword puzzles, playing pinochle, and was an amazing cook. Above all she loved her grandchildren and never missed any activity they had.

Mae is survived by her daughter Kimberly, wife of Michael Sharkey of Media; brother Harold Merkel of Kutztown; grandchildren Taylor and Zachary Sharkey.

Mae was preceded by her sister Eleanor Rauch and brother Lee Merkel.

Services will be held on Friday, June 12, 2026, at 11:00 AM at St. Paul's UCC, 1249 Trexlertown Road Trexlertown, PA 18087. A calling period will begin at 10:00 AM in the church. Burial will follow in the adjoining cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Church c/o Schmoyer Funeral Home, PO Box 190, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Condolences may be offered at schmoyerfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul Union Cemetery

Trexlerstown, PA 18087

Previous Events

Calling Hour

JUN 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's U.C.C.
1249 Trexlertown Rd.
Trexlerstown, PA 18087

Memorial Service

JUN 12. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mae E. Clay.

June 11 at 08:05 PM



“ A.J. purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Mae E. Clay.



A.J. - June 11 at 12:55 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Mae E. Clay.



June 11 at 10:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mae E. Clay.

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“ *Cushmore Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mae E. Clay.*



Cushmore Family - June 10 at 12:22 PM

MA

“ *Michelle A. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mae E. Clay.*

Michelle A. - June 10 at 08:01 AM

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“ *Aunt Mae was such a beautiful person inside and out. I have so many memories of our wonderful family times together. Just to name a few of literally hundreds: New Year's Eve parties, casino trips, back to school shopping, annual Wildwood trips, lunches at The Ritz, bowling, Florida trips, Dorney Park and just all of us being together. Growing up Aunt Mae was like my 2nd Mom and a role model that I respected. I know she is home and at peace. Heaven gained one strong and amazing angel. Tina (Rauch) Hoch*

Tina - June 09 at 03:00 PM

BC

“ *Bobby, Wanda and childten purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mae E. Clay.*



Bobby, Wanda and childten - June 09 at 02:54 PM

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“ Bobby, Wanda and childten planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mae E. Clay.

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