



Connie J. Podorf

December 4, 1949 - October 6, 2022

Vernon - Connie J. Podorf, age 72, passed away on Thursday, October 6, 2022 at St. Anthony's Community Hospital in Warwick, New York. Born in Sussex to the late Merritt and Edith "Edy"(Courtright) Decker, Connie attended Sussex Elementary School and graduated from High Point Regional High School. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in education , Magna Cum Laude from William Paterson College, where she majored in early childhood education and nursery school. Connie was a member of the National Honor Society, Pi Lambda Theta. She worked in the Vernon Township School System for over thirty years. She initially started as a building aide and then became a kindergarten and elementary teacher in addition to a developmental reading and gifted and talented/school wide enrichment teacher. Connie adored children and they were her whole life. Connie is survived by her beloved husband, Fred; her sister, Marlene Decker of Sussex; her step-daughters, Jeanine Weinreb and her husband John of Milford, Pennsylvania and Jennifer Wulk and her husband Matt of Plainfield, Illinois; and her step-grandchildren, Julia, Leah, Morgan, Corey and Dylan. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. Interment to follow at Fairview Cemetery in Wantage. Friends may pay their respects to the family on Monday, October 10, 2022 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. May Connie dearest rest in peace and love. She will be deeply missed by the many lives she touched. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation in Connie's memory to

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN
38105. Online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.pinkelfuneral
home.com](http://www.pinkelfuneralhome.com)

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

Route 284
Wantage, NJ 07461

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **10**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Pinkel Funeral Home, Inc.
31 Bank Street (Route 23)
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Service

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Tribute Wall

ML

“ Sweet dreams Connie. My apologies to your family for responding so late. I just found out about your passing when I saw your sister's obituary today. To say the least, I was shocked. Keep that beautiful smile forever and ever on your face Connie.
Always with love and fond memories,
Shelley

Michele LeDuc - May 08, 2023 at 03:38 PM



“ My sympathy to Fred and Marlene on Connie's death. She was a unique individual who brought joy to so many. May the love and support of friends and family comfort you at this sad time. Mary Cafarelli

Mary Cafarelli - October 10, 2022 at 09:58 PM

LM

“ Connie was just... plain... fun and funny! She had an infectious laugh and showed how much she enjoyed life... I will always miss her great Facebook posts of the backyard menagerie, her beloved cats, historical photos...

I will ALWAYS remember how, one time prior to a trip, we got breakfast sandwiches. She was very specific about ordering her egg a certain way... and then...right after eating the last crumb... she suddenly looked indignant and very puzzled. "Did I have an egg? I don't think I had an egg!!!" Vernoy and I laughed and laughed until we almost cried. For years we have made little "eggsellent" egg jokes online. Until we meet again... Laura Merck

Laura Merck - October 10, 2022 at 04:23 PM

SJ

“ I was so saddened by the news of Connie's passing. She was a very special and giving person. I admired her upbeat friendly spirit. I will always remember that Connie was the one who taught my daughter to go down the slide when Kelly was less than a year old. My love, thoughts and prayers are with Fred, Marlene and her entire family.

Sue Jordan - October 10, 2022 at 09:59 AM

FA

“ Fred, Connie had such a love of life. She was passionate about her love of family, friends, teaching, her music, her flowers and even her food! She lived her life with such gusto. May she rest in peace after such a full life. My deepest condolences to you and your family.

Felicia Arnold - October 10, 2022 at 08:45 AM

DF

“ Connie was my Facebook friend. Connie had a strong moral compass and she could be counted on as a voice of reason and compassion. Teaching was a perfect fit for her. Connie was always teaching. She taught a lot of us, “newcomers”, so much about Sussex County. Connie was proud of her History and those who got to know Connie were proud of her. Like so many others, Bill and I send our deepest condolences to Fred and Connie's family. RIP Connie.

Dee Franklin - October 09, 2022 at 09:48 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Connie J. Podorf.*



October 09, 2022 at 07:15 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Connie. She was a wonderful person. My condolences to you and the family, Fred.*

Jessi Paladini - October 09, 2022 at 02:35 PM



“ *Shared such great times and lots of laughs with Connie while she was at Walnut Ridge.*

Laura stigler - October 09, 2022 at 11:03 AM



“ *So sad to learn. Connie was such a delight to know. Fred and family you have our sympathy.
Lily and George iannacone*

george iannacone - October 09, 2022 at 09:54 AM

SL

“ Fred: So sorry to hear the news of Connie's passing. All of our family offer our sincerest condolences. You will always have the memories of your life together. Our thoughts and prays are with you.

The family of Grace Lewin

Sam Lewin - October 08, 2022 at 08:18 PM



BW

“ Bob and Frances Waldron purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Connie J. Podorf.

Bob and Frances Waldron - October 08, 2022 at 07:43 PM



SL

“ I spent so much time in your office in middle school, doing projects and laughing with you about your "organization" of papers. You were so funny and made me feel seen and loved as a 7th and 8th grader. You made school more welcoming for me, Mrs. Podorf. I am so grateful for you. May you Rest In Peace. - Sabrina (Moran) Little

Sabrina Little - October 08, 2022 at 05:54 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Connie J. Podorf.

October 08, 2022 at 05:32 PM





“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Connie J. Podorf.*



October 08, 2022 at 11:53 AM



“ *With Love, Renate Gratzl and family purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Connie J. Podorf.*



With Love, Renate Gratzl and family - October 07, 2022 at 05:52 PM