



E. Yvonne Depoe

January 3, 1937 - May 23, 2025

On May 23, E. Yvonne Depoe (nee Brubaker) was reunited with Ken, her beloved husband of 64 years, who passed just nine days prior. Inseparable life partners, she never wanted to be away from him too long. She is now reunited also with her parents Daniel B. Brubaker and Evelyn Brubaker (nee Frey) as well as her three brothers, Richard, Doug and Jay and sister Alice (Rowley).

Yvonne will be dearly missed by her son Craig, daughter-in-law Mary Elizabeth, grandchildren Nathaniel and Charlotte as well as many family members and friends.

Yvonne (lovingly known as Nan/Yonnie /Evelyn/Evie/Mrs. D) was born on January 3, 1937 on Chocolate Avenue in Mount Joy where her family owned the B. Brubaker Department Store. At East Donegal High School she held leadership positions in Student Council and Yearbook, played field hockey and was a member of NHS. She graduated Valedictorian in 1954. From 1954-1958 Yvonne attended Elizabethtown College where she served as Yearbook editor and played Varsity field hockey. She earned an A.B. in History and Political Science as well as Certification in Elementary Education.

Yvonne began her teaching career at Maytown Elementary school teaching 5th grade from 1958-1967 until the birth of their son Craig. While staying home to care for her family, Yvonne was involved as an educational research examiner with the Research Triangle Institute in North Carolina from 1969-1976. Here she participated in two federal government surveys for the

National Assessment for Educational Progress and Safe School Study.

In 1974 Yvonne returned to substitute teaching in the Donegal School District for grades K-6 teaching Physical Education, Library, Art, Music and Reading and in 1986 became the full time 4th-5th grade teacher at Seiler Elementary School where she taught until 1993.

In 1989 she received the Gift of Time Award from the American Family Institute where she was nominated by faculty and parents for a teacher “who made a difference in the life of a child.” Upon her retirement in 1993, Yvonne was nominated for Pennsylvania Teacher of the Year Award and received the Donegal Teacher of the Year Award.

Yvonne was not only well loved and respected as an educator, she was active in the community and served as Chairman of the Mount Joy Civil Service Commission and worked Part Time at the Mount Joy Borough Office. A member of St Mark’s United Methodist Church, she taught Sunday School and served as Administrative Board Secretary and on the Social Concerns Commission.

An avid sports fan, Yvonne could be seen sitting next to Ken at every Hershey Bears game or cheering on her favorite NHL team, the Montreal Canadiens. A die hard LA Dodgers fan, she had an impressive memory for statistics and was knowledgeable of the nuances of the game.

If you knew Yvonne, you knew Ken. Together they made the best team and their biggest fans were their grandchildren, Nathaniel and Charlotte. Nan showered limitless affection and love on them; nurturing them, teaching and guiding, never missing an opportunity to be a constant source of love and support in their lives. Her selfless generosity of time and attention will always serve as a wonderful example of a life well lived.

A Memorial Service Celebrating Ken and Yvonne's Life will be held at St. Marks United Methodist Church, 27 East Main Street, Mount Joy, PA, on Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 11 AM. Ken and Yvonne’s family will receive guests

immediately following the service.

Ken and Yvonne were interred in the Henry Eberle Cemetery, Mount Joy.
In lieu of flowers, please send memorial contributions to St. Marks United
Methodist Church.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Marks United Methodist Church
37 East Main Street
Mount Joy, PA 17552

Visitation

MAY **29**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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DS

A beautiful life well lived and served their students well. Thank you Mr. and Mrs. Depoe.

Donegal student - May 31, 2025 at 06:29 PM

CS

“ *My sympathy to the Depoe family in the loss of your parents. Of course I knew of your father at the high school, but really got to know your mother better when she worked for the Boro and would bring deposits to the bank where I worked. We always had great conversations and her family was her everything. She often left the bank and would be headed to keep Nathaniel & Charlotte, who were still quite small at the time Of all her accomplishments mentioned in the obituary, she never tooted her own horn. May you be comforted with the peace of God, knowing your parents are together in His loving arms.*

Cindy Studebaker

Cindy Studebaker - June 05, 2025 at 03:48 PM

LF

“ So sorry for your loss It was so nice meeting and taking care of Yvonne when she was in LH rehab. Praying for you family

Lana Flores - May 26, 2025 at 05:10 PM

FC

“ Thank you Yvonne for being such an encourager to me over the years. You were and are a good wife and mother, Ken's sweetheart, mother to Craig. You were a positive influence to many through your teaching career and all of those you came in contact with. I cherished the notes of thanks in sharing how much you enjoyed my writing pieces that were published in the newspaper. Love and affection, Fawn Cornwell.

Fawn Cornwell - May 25, 2025 at 06:33 PM

KB

“ Mrs Depoe was my neighbor and 5th grade teacher. She was the only teacher to make us wash our hands before lunch. She was great

Kathy (Clark) Bankert - May 25, 2025 at 09:48 AM

CJ

“ The news this week that we lost both Mr and Mrs Depoe hit me so hard its hard to write this. When I think back of my youth growing up in Mount Joy, so many memories one after another include Mr and Mrs Depoe! I loved those 2 beyond belief. They treated me so kind through my friendship with Craig... like I was their own. Rest easy both of you together, the way it was supposed to be. I love you both!!

*Craig Johnson
San Antonio, TX*

Craig A Johnson - May 24, 2025 at 08:42 PM



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