

## Joan M. Costa

November 30, 1936 - September 17, 2013

Joan M. (Smoyer) Costa, 76, of Gilbertsville, formerly Pottstown, passed away on Tuesday, September 17, 2013, at the Pottstown Memorial Medical Center. Born in Pottstown, she was a daughter of the late Hazel (Rohrbach) and Benjamin Smoyer Sr.

Mrs. Costa was a 1954 graduate of Pottstown High School and was a member of the Linfield United Church of Christ. She loved sewing and quilting, and had created many patchwork blankets for family and friends. She was loved by everyone she knew, especially her family.

Mrs. Costa is survived by her children, Lu Ann, wife of Richard Van Remmen, of Florida, Carol, wife of Michael Barish, of Louisiana, Robin Garner, of Pottstown, Marybeth, wife of Gregory Leh, of Gilbertsville, Kimberly, wife of Barry Brown, of Pottstown, and Lawrence Jr., husband of Shannon Costa, of Quarryville, sister, Nancy Swavely, of Royersford, fifteen grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brother, Benjamin Smoyer Jr.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Joan's funeral service at the Cattermole-Klotzbach Funeral Home, 600 Washington Street, Royersford, on Monday, September 23, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. with the Rev. Ruth Chartier officiating. Interment will follow in the Limerick Garden of Memories. Friends

may call from 9:30-11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made in Joan's name to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 1132, Fairfax, VA 22038. Condolences may be offered online at [www.RoyersfordFuneralHome.com](http://www.RoyersfordFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Limerick Garden of Memories

44 Arcadia Drive  
Limerick, PA 19468

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 23. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Cattermole - Klotzbach Funeral Home  
600 Washington Street  
Royersford, PA 19468  
(610) 948-7330  
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## Service

SEP 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

Cathy Minnick

“ I remember how welcoming Joan was when I would come to visit her daughter, my dear friend, Carol, on Airport Road. She had all of her own children and all of their friends, and there were the pets and animals too. She cared, truly cared. I remember her sweet smile as she listened to us talk at the table, and she was always offering food, and cooking breakfast, lunch or dinner. Joan was truly "Mom" to so many, and the best mom to her own children. The family life and love that Joan offered, not only mended scraped knees, but broken hearts. I see this same kind of love and devotion in the family who remains. Your love, Joan, which represented God's love, remains with us in so many ways. Thank you "Mom." We love you and miss you! Cathy Minnick

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**Cathy Minnick** - October 04, 2013 at 08:07 PM

CH

“ To all of Joan's children: I remember playing in Aunt Hazel's yard with many of you. We were only kids then and I always liked Cousin Joan and seeing her when we came up to visit. Cousin Joan called Mom (Aunt Stella Kemp) after Dad passed away just a week before she also left us for heaven. Mom was so touched to hear from her and was so sad when she learned she had also passed away. But she and Dad are both in heaven now. My thoughts are with you. It's been many years since we have seen each other but we are still second cousins and she will be my lovely Cousin Joan.  
Charlotte Kemp

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**Charlotte** - September 22, 2013 at 08:16 PM

JD

“ Carol and family, my sincerest sympathy on the passing of your mom. I hope the memories y'all shared together will bring you comfort. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. As I type this I'm wrapped in the quilt you gave me that she helped make.

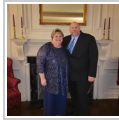
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**jeannie darling** - September 22, 2013 at 01:27 PM



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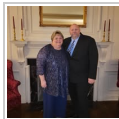


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**Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home** - September 21, 2013 at 10:08 PM



*just missing mom.*

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**Kim Brown** - January 15, 2018 at 09:35 PM



*I can't believe it's been 6 years wow time really does fly.*

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**Kim Brown** - September 17, 2019 at 07:22 PM

BR

“ *"The Broken Chain"*

*We little knew that day, God was going to call your name. In life, we loved you dearly, In death, we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you. You did not go alone. For part of us went with you, The day God called you home. You left us beautiful memories, Your loves is still our guide. And although we cannot see you, You are always at our side.*

*Our love, our prayers, and our comfort are with the Costa family during this difficult time. Celebrate and remember the beautiful moments you shared with Joan. They will be in your hearts forever.  
Love, Bonnie & John*

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**Bonnie Russ** - September 21, 2013 at 10:48 AM

JW

“ *Jacki Wagner lit a candle in memory of Joan M. Costa*



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**Jacki Wagner** - September 21, 2013 at 07:54 AM

JW

*I am thinking of you all at this time. Your Mom certainly loved you all, children, grandchildren! I remember all of our good times, as we were growing up. Hold on to the great memories! She will always be with you in your hearts! I will continue to hold you all in prayer and love! Jacki*

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**Jacki Wagner** - September 21, 2013 at 07:56 AM



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Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home - September 20, 2013 at 01:26 PM

KR

“ To the Costa Family: I met sweet Ms. Joan at Carol's house in Baton Rouge a few years ago and was immediately fond of her. She was making a tshirt quilt which I copied last year for my granddaughter! Thank you Ms. Joan for the memories and for sharing our birthdays! love you Carol! Karen Rimes

Karen Rimes - September 19, 2013 at 08:49 PM

Kristen Fuller

“ Kristen Fuller lit a candle in memory of Joan M. Costa



Kristen Fuller - September 19, 2013 at 10:14 AM

Kristen Fuller

“ The world has truly lost a gem! Miss Joan (mom) always made me feel like family. She had a very caring and genuine spirit. Praying that Our Father sends you all the peace that passes all understanding. I pray he wraps you all in his loving arms and gives you all comfort.

Kristen Fuller - September 19, 2013 at 10:13 AM

SM

“ *To the entire Costa family, may you always have fond memories of your Mother. Keep her spirit alive.*

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**smak** - September 19, 2013 at 09:04 AM

CA

“ *I will always remember the times I spent with you all on airport rd. Your mom was a wonderful person and very giving. My heart goes out to all of you with hugs and prayers. You are in my thoughts,*  
*Cathi Drumheller Maziarz*

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**Cathi** - September 19, 2013 at 08:04 AM