



## Annete J. Earnest

August 28, 1940 - June 22, 2023

Annetje Jans (Weston) Earnest, 82 of New Bloomfield, PA died quietly at home on Thursday, June 22, 2023. She was born August 28, 1940 to the late Milton Weston and Carolyn Elizabeth (Cupp) Weston Phillis in Connecticut while her father was serving in the Coast Guard.

Annetje completed high school at Perry Joint in New Bloomfield in 1958 and earned Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Elementary Education in the 1970s from Elizabethtown College and Penn State University. She worked as a 3rd grade and then 5th grade teacher in the Newport, PA Elementary School. Later in life she worked as a real estate agent and cared for her mother Carolyn eventually settling into retirement with light gardening and walking around town. In 1975, Annetje lovingly restored one of the Cupp family homesteads and vowed to never live elsewhere because Bloomfield is home. She was a member of the New Bloomfield United Methodist Church and served as the church historian and sang in the choir for many years. When we found the original deed to the town of Bloomfield in our family's stored documents, Annetje contacted various parties until she successfully gifted the large two-sided parchment to the county and it now hangs in the Perry County Courthouse.

Looking back at her youth, Annetje fondly remembered being a high school majorette, playing the flute and roller skating. In fact, she met her husband Truman on April Fools' Day while roller skating near Millerstown. He was captivated by her lovely auburn hair and sparkling green eyes. In Truman's

eyes, no other woman could measure up. Annetje kept the pink sweater and rust-colored corduroy trousers she wore the day they met and she still wore them up to this year.

Surviving are her, two children, Jeffrey Earnest and Melanie (Earnest) Rowlands. Annetje was preceded in death by her husband, Truman Earnest and her siblings, Marilyn (Weston) Leach, Humphrey Weston, and Lawrence Weston.

The family will hold private remembrances in New Bloomfield.

# Cemetery Details

**Bloomfield Cemetery**

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I remember Mrs. Earnest fondly. She was my teacher in 5th grade and then I had the opportunity to help tutor her class once I reached HS. She was a lovely teacher and one of my favorites. My deepest sympathy to her family.*

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**Lisa Briggs** - July 05, 2023 at 10:51 AM