



Ellen I. Newcombe

April 5, 1945 - June 12, 2022

Ellen Inez Newcombe (nee Mikulak), of Wynnewood, Pa, died surrounded by family on Sunday, June 12, 2022 at the age of 77.

She was born in Madison, Wisconsin to the late Peter and Inez Mikulak. She graduated from Central High School in St. Paul, Mn and received her B.A. from Macalester College, her M.A. from Kent State University and her M.Ed. from Temple University.

Her career spanned many years in the education field including teaching, research and development, and administration of technology services. She enjoyed reading, gardening, and traveling.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Christopher. She is survived by her devoted daughters, Andrea, Christina Dahlheimer (Damon), and Caroline (Matt Richerson), and two granddaughters, Isabel and Meredith, and a brother and a sister.

The family will receive guests on Saturday, June 18 from 2:00 to 5:00 PM at her late residence.

If so desired, contributions may be made in her memory to the Nature Conservancy.

Tribute Wall

LB

“ Many who worked with Ellen have described her dedication, her collegial approach, her tenacity, and her steady guiding hand. She clearly made a huge impact on many of us at WCU. What I appreciated most however was her subtle humor. She was just a delight to "hang out" with. She was genuine, reflective, and had a laser-keen sense of human behavior.

Lynda Baloche

Lynda Baloche - July 04, 2022 at 03:14 PM

SU

“ My deepest sympathy for your loss. Ellen spent her life dedicated to leading the CESW Technology Resource Center and supporting educators using technology. She also had a passion for supporting women in technology and impacted the lives of countless students that worked in the Tech Center and came to her for help. In retirement she continued to advance the use of technology by helping seniors with technology. Her work was never done. Ellen was a great friend and mentor to me. I will miss her guiding light in my life. May the memories of her be of comfort to you during this difficult time.



Sunny - June 15, 2022 at 11:12 AM

JK

*Ellen was a great colleague, was thoughtful, just, and fair as a person. She expected this of all
And created a place of trust for
All she met. I had the most exceptional experience working with her over the course of nearly 30 years - through grants, teaching, Conference presentation, and lots of conversations. Her first priority was always students. We worked together well & I'll miss her as many at WCU or beyond this campus certainly will.*

- Jack k.

Jack Kinslow - June 15, 2022 at 10:29 PM

LL

“*Ellen was always willing to help, and there to support faculty at WCU. She had a good sense of humor- a skill that came in handy with all of the endless tech questions from faculty like me had. She clearly loved her daughters- you could tell because she smiled when she talked about them. To her family, I am so sorry for your loss, we're never ready to lose our Mom's/Grandma's.*

-Lisa Lucas

Lisa Lucas - June 15, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“*Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ellen I. Newcombe.*



June 15, 2022 at 09:42 AM



“ My sincere condolences and deep sympathy to the family, friends and colleagues of Ellen Newcombe. She helped many navigate the challenges of technology at West Chester University, and her approach to technical support was founded on a model of “peer mentorship” over the “customer service” model so common today. Even after her retirement, her genuine spirit of dedication to others continued to shape our university and its approach to educational technology. She was truly a nice person to be around, always kind and ready to help. She will be missed by many.

Philip Thompsen - June 15, 2022 at 09:35 AM



“ My prayers to Ellen's family and friends. I worked with Ellen at WCU and she was so helpful with technology issues.....and a kind lady to talk with on a personal level. Rest in Peace.

Mary O'Reilly - June 15, 2022 at 09:13 AM



“ Andrea, Christina, and Caroline,

Ellen was very kind to me whenever we worked together on committees or projects at WCU. I am very sorry for your loss; I keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. --Carla Verderame

Carla Verderame - June 15, 2022 at 09:09 AM



“ Vicki McGinley sent a virtual gift in memory of Ellen I. Newcombe



Vicki McGinley - June 15, 2022 at 08:06 AM

VM

“ Ellen was always there to help and if she could not directly, she found out where to get that support for you. I was sorry when she retired from WCU but of course she was very deserving of her retirement as she was a responsible, caring worker. She spoke very highly of her family. I am very sorry for your loss.
Vicki McGinley

Vicki McGinley - June 15, 2022 at 08:05 AM

JR

“ Ellen was not only my neighbor but a lovely friend and kind and generous person. I always enjoyed my numerous neighborhood encounters with her . She will be sorely missed. May she rest in peace. Joy Rosenthal

Joy R - June 14, 2022 at 09:43 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ellen I. Newcombe.



June 14, 2022 at 02:10 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ellen I. Newcombe.



June 14, 2022 at 02:01 PM