



Judith Ann Schafer

April 3, 2026

Judith Ann Schafer, 82, of Monroeville, passed away peacefully on Friday, April 3, 2026. Lovingly known to so many as “Mamaw,” she was the heart and center of her family.

Judith was born on April 10, 1943, in Trafford, a daughter of the late Lester and Eva Simmons. Prior to her retirement, she dedicated more than 30 years of service as a food service manager with the Gateway School District. She found her greatest joy in spending time with her family, especially her beloved grandchildren.

She was the very definition of warmth and hospitality. Her home was never just her own; it was a place where everyone was welcomed with open arms and made to feel like family. Judith was a constant presence in the lives of those she loved, offering comfort, guidance, and an unwavering, unconditional love woven into everyday life.

One of the greatest blessings of her life was the love she shared with her husband, Daniel Schafer. Having met as children, their love story grew from young sweethearts into a marriage that spanned more than six decades. Together, they built a life filled with laughter, devotion, and unwavering support.

In addition to her parents, Judith was preceded in death by her brother, Lester “Butch” Simmons.

She is survived by her loving husband, Daniel Schafer; two children, Daniel “Sam” Schafer Jr. and his wife, Janice, of Columbus, Ohio, and Sherri Crupie and her husband, Robert, of Monroeville; three grandchildren, Patrick, Mallory, and Jennifer; a sister, Grace Newell; a brother, Milton “Keith” Simmons and his wife, Carole; a sister-in-law, Linda Eder and her husband, Bob; a brother-in-law, George Schafer and his wife, Valerie; and several nieces and nephews.

In accordance with Judith’s wishes, there will be no funeral services at this time. The family plans to hold a celebration of life in the coming months, where loved ones will be invited to gather, share memories, and honor the beautiful life she lived. Details will be shared at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to the GENE H. CORL FUNERAL CHAPEL INC. AND CREMATION SERVICES OF MONROEVILLE, 4335 Northern Pike (412-372-2100).

Tribute Wall

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“ *Danny, Janice, & the Schafer family my deepest condolences on your loss. You will be in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

*Sincerely,
Paul Conlon*

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