



## Evanna C, (Litwhiler) Kessler

July 17, 1927 - May 6, 2016

Evanna C. (Litwhiler) Kessler, 88, of S. R. 254, Orangeville (Greenwood Township), died early Friday morning, May 6th, 2016 at the Geisinger Bloomsburg Health Care Center where she had been a guest for one day.

Born July 17, 1927 in Newlin, Roaring Creek Township, she was a daughter of the late William Henry Litwhiler and Sarah Catherine (Reigle) Litwhiler-Ford. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold O. Kessler, of 67 years, on December 19, 2013.

A 1945 graduate of Benton High School, she had been employed by area sewing factories including the Millville Milco and Dol-Ang in Benton. She had also worked at

L & K Mills, Benton, of which her husband was a founding partner along with her brother, Charles Litwhiler.

Mrs. Kessler was an active member of Jackson Baptist Church of Derrs. She greatly loved her church and was a nursery Sunday School teacher and also was in charge of the church dinners and communion.

She enjoyed being a homemaker and was known for her sewing, crocheting, needlepoint, cooking, baking, her flower gardens and doing puzzles.

Surviving are her two children: Kenneth H. Kessler, of Greenwood Township; Jennifer S. Kessler, of Mechanicsville, Virginia; a grandson, Corey Kessler; brothers and sisters: Edward Litwhiler and his wife, Mary, of Jacksonville, Florida; Irene Corby, of West Virginia; Eugene Litwhiler, of Orefield; Charles Litwhiler and his wife, Betty Jean, of Benton; and Lillian Miller, of Whitehall. Also surviving are numerous nieces and nephews.

Along with her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Alvin and Henry Litwhiler and by a sister, Helen Litwhiler Elmes.

Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, May 11th, 2016 at 11 A. M. at Jackson Baptist Church, Derrs with Pastor Walter E. Minto, Jr., officiating. Burial will be in Lemons Cemetery, Greenwood Township. A Viewing will be held Tuesday evening from 6 to 8 PM at the McMichael Funeral Home, Inc., 4394 Red Rock Road, Benton (S. R. 487) and also Wednesday morning at the church from 10 AM until the time of the Service. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to the Jackson Baptist Church Building Fund, 353 Derrs Road, Benton, PA 17814. For online condolences or for additional information, please visit our website: [www.mcmichaelfuneralhome.com](http://www.mcmichaelfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Lemons Cemetery

Greenwood Township

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **10.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McMichael Funeral Home, Inc.  
4394 Red Rock Rd.  
S.R. 487  
Benton, PA 17814  
(570) 204-0858  
[info@mcmichaelfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@mcmichaelfuneralhome.com)

## Visitation

MAY **11.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Jackson Baptist Church  
Derrs, PA

## Service

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

Jackson Baptist Church  
Derrs, PA



# Tribute Wall

JK

“ *CHARLES AND FAMILY PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY IN THE PASSING OF YOUR SISTER.*

*joyce e keller*

joyce e keller - May 10, 2016 at 06:59 AM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Evanna C, (Litwhiler) Kessler.*

May 09, 2016 at 09:16 AM



“ *What a wonderful caring woman. Mom. Aunt. Bless you Jennifer. Love you very much. She will be watching over you with Uncle Harold.*

Cindy Riley - May 08, 2016 at 05:55 PM

DI

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Jen. She is in a better place now with your dad. Diane*

Diane - May 08, 2016 at 10:47 AM



DK

“Jen and Kenny, I'll always remember the great times I spent at your house while growing up!! Your Mom and Dad were the kindest, caring and loving parents ever!! Now they are receiving their treasures in Heaven!!!! Love always, Diane Keller

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**Diane Keller** - May 07, 2016 at 10:04 PM

JE

Jen and Kenneth, our prayers and fond memories are with you both. When I was very small and would visit with your parents (before you were even with us), what I remember most was your mother's laugh. She was able to bring a smile to my mother's face, which wasn't always so easy since they were such hard working Litwhilers. The laugh is what I will hold onto as a cherished memory. Love, Jane Elmes-Crahall

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**jane elmes-crahall** - May 09, 2016 at 07:06 AM

FW

Jen and Kenneth, you will be in our prayers! When I was in my teens your mom would make fresh strawberry ice cream and bring it to our farm for my mom's birthday! She did it quite a few years and we always looked forward to it!! After I got married I asked her for the recipe! Now after 21 years we're still enjoying it every strawberry season!!

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**Fannie Wengerd** - May 09, 2016 at 10:25 AM