



## Cynthia Suzette "Cindy" Hirschel

July 18, 2024

Cynthia (Cindy) Suzette (Williams) Hirschel of Laurys Station, PA passed away from neuroendocrine cancer on July 18, 2024. Born in Allentown Sept 15, 1952, she was 71 at her time of death.

As a young woman, Cindy worked in banking for nine years, then became a Convention coordinator for a travel company for seven years. She earned her certification as a Travel Consultant while working for Rosenbluth Travel. Later, she went to work for AT&T Microelectronics and retired after twenty years service. In semi-retirement, she worked as a part time contractor at Lehigh Valley Health Network until she was 63.

Cindy met the love of her life, Paul Hirschel, early on. It was love at first sight. They celebrated 42 years of marriage until Paul died of cancer Dec. 29, 2015.

As a widow, Cindy decided it was time to pursue her travel interests. She traveled solo for years. Her travels took her to Singapore, multiple trips to the UK, Italy, Spain, Portugal and France. An enthusiast for the exotic, she also traveled to Greece, Turkey, South Africa, Zimbabwe and Egypt. Calmer vacations included Las Vegas, Florida, and Hawaii as well as Caribbean cruises.

Cindy's passions were blackjack, music, good friends and her husband Paul, not in that particular order. She often reflected on what a great life she had

lived, grateful for the unconditional love of a good man, a nice home and good health. She also loved cooking, gardening and landscaping. Many days were spent digging in the yard to plant new shrubs and perennial flowers. For anyone who knew her, even covered in garden dirt, Cindy always wore lipstick and earrings, much to her husband and friends' amusement.

She was thankful to the many wonderful people who supported her during her prolonged illness.

Surely, Cindy is reunited with Paul and they are walking hand in hand again. True love stories never have endings.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 1130 A.M. at the J.S. Burkholder Funeral Home, 1601 Hamilton Street, Allentown. A calling hour will be held on Saturday, from 10:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or Tunnel to Towers Foundation 2361 Hylan Blvd, Staten Island, NY 10306

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Calling Hours

**JUL 27.** 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

J S Burkholder Funeral Home Inc  
1601 W Hamilton Street  
Allentown, PA 18102  
(610) 433-5161  
info@jsburkholder.com  
<https://jsburkholder.com>

### Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

JW

“ My heartfelt sympathy to family and beloved friends of Cindy ! So much fun and a wonderful person ! Finally got her wish , to be with her Paul ! Out of misery and into “ her forever life”

Joyce walker - August 03, 2024 at 03:19 PM

JA

“ I will truly miss all the laughs Cindy and I shared while working together at Lucent Technologies/Agere Systems. I remember the day she told me she was diagnosed with cancer--she was very upbeat that she would live a long life no matter what but in the end all she wanted was to see Paul again. We would meet for lunch or dinner and she would share all her travel adventures and look forward to her next one. She was so full of life. I will miss our heart to heart conversations. Rest in peace old friend. Until we meet again . . .

Jan Albertson - July 29, 2024 at 07:56 PM

RW

“ I met Cindy in Atlantic City when we were both dining alone. We struck up a conversation and the friendship was formed. Cindy was a beautiful woman and I am glad to have had her as a friend. She shared her traveling adventures with me by sharing pictures. She was a strong, courageous woman and fought this battle with cancer bravely. I will miss you my dear friend, but I'm glad you are no longer suffering and will now be reunited with the love of your life. Rest in Peace my friend. Love, Rosie 💜

Rosemarie Witkowski - July 27, 2024 at 06:46 PM

CW

“ *She was a special lady and we'll miss her. Cindy's humor during her untenable fight was truly amazing. No doubt she's already planning a wonderful reunion with Paul in a well appointed garden she designed.*

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**Cindy Watkins** - July 24, 2024 at 10:39 AM

MM

“ *you will be loved and missed.*

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**millie mcgaugh** - July 23, 2024 at 04:24 PM

DH

“ *I wish Cindy Godspeed to heaven so that she can be reunited with our Lord and her husband, Paul. I will always remember her for her style, smile, and "can-do" attitude. Hopefully, she is playing blackjack and enjoying music in heaven. RIP Cindy!*

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**Denise Holota** - July 22, 2024 at 12:42 PM