



Maria C. Dresen

April 16, 2025

Maria C. Dresen, died on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 in the Inpatient Hospice Unit at Lehigh Valley Health Network, Allentown. She was the wife of the late Dr. Karl Albert Dresen.

Maria worked for the Lehigh Valley Health Network for many years until retiring. Born in Kevelaer, Germany, she was the daughter of the late Josef and Anna (Voss) Cox.

She attended the Rheinische Friedrich Wilhelm University in Bonn, Germany. Maria was a member of St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Allentown. She was a member of the Lehigh County Medical Society Alliance, the Lehigh Valley Hospital Auxiliary and the Lehigh Valley Hospital Board of Associates. Survivors: Daughter: Anna Maria wife of Frank Schneider, Sons: Karl Albert Dresen and his wife Danielle and Christopher Dresen, 9 Grandchildren and 1 Great-Grandchild.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, May 5, 2025 at 11 A.M. at St. Thomas More Catholic Church 1040 Flexer Ave. Allentown. A calling hour will be held on Monday, from 10 A.M. to 11 A.M. in the Church.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to: St. Thomas More Catholic Church 1040 Flexer Ave. Allentown, PA 18103, or American

Cancer P.O. Box 6704 Hagerstown, MD 21741.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

547 N. Krocks Rd.
Allentown, PA 18106

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAY 5. 9:45 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas More Catholic Church
1040 Flexer Ave.
Allentown, PA 18103

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St Thomas More Church
1040 Flexer Ave
Allentown, PA 18103-5597
(610) 433-7413

Tribute Wall

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“ *Maria was the Director of Volunteers at Lehigh Valley Hospital when I became a volunteer. We immediately became good friends. She was always like a "Mother Hen" to me. We had lunch several times and she also came to my home to meet my brother, Tom, who was visiting me, and was a Professor of German. I always sent Maria a birthday card, and we exchanged Christmas cards every year. I loved Maria and will miss her very much.*

Sylvia A. Hajewski

Sylvia A. Hajewski - April 30, 2025 at 01:50 PM

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*Maria did a great job organizing and getting things done with her volunteers
I went in with requests to help the Clinical Nutrition Dept and Food Service Department and was always greeted with a smile and "we can help you with that"
Always appreciated her!*

Karen Friedly - August 23, 2025 at 08:42 PM

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God rest Mrs. Dresen's kind soul. She was ever a Lady, dear always to those who came to know her. Ruhe in Frieden!

G. Lloyd - April 16 at 10:02 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria C. Dresen.*

April 29, 2025 at 09:12 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Maria C. Dresen.



April 29, 2025 at 09:12 AM



“ I have very fond memories of Maria when I was hired to be the Assistant Director of Volunteer Services at LehighValley Hospital when Maria retired in 1993. She was so gracious in helping orient me to my new job and we remained friends for many years afterward. She always had a smile and a good word for everyone she met. She was a wonderful lady.

Betty Anton - April 27, 2025 at 11:29 PM



We owe Maria a lifetime of love and gratitude. Maria introduced us in 1991 at LVHN and for the last 34 years we have been blessed with a wonderful life. She was our matchmaker! We are grateful for Maria's kindness, beautiful smile and love she shared with us.

Robert & Diane Smith - May 05, 2025 at 08:27 AM



“ During my long tenure at Lehigh Valley Hospital, it was always such a pleasure to share time and stories with Maria. Maria was indeed a very special and beautiful person. Her joy, love, and kindness were always very evident in her words and actions. People like Maria are so rare. I loved listening to her stories about Germany which also encouraged me to accept my German heritage. My sympathies to her family and may God strengthen you during this difficult time. God bless.

Gina Jones - April 27, 2025 at 12:03 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Maria C. Dresen.*



April 24, 2025 at 09:31 AM



“ *One of the most Beautiful, intelligent person, I have ever met. Always a pleasure. May you rest and celebrate in the Lords love. Now and forever Carol Schiaffo*

carol schiaffo - April 20, 2025 at 11:08 AM