



Margaret J. "Peg" Durnin

June 10, 1950 - July 19, 2025

Margaret J. "Peg" Durnin, 75, of Monroeton, PA passed away Saturday morning, July 19, 2025, at the Robert Packer Hospital Skilled Care and Rehabilitation Center, Towanda, PA, with her devoted children at her side. Margaret was born in Batavia, NY on June 10, 1950, the daughter of Paul Calvin Jenks and Patricia Bickelhaupt Jenks. She was a 1968 graduate of Waterloo Central School, Waterloo, NY and later graduated from St. Lawrence University in 1972 where she received her BS degree in mathematics.

In her youth, Margaret attended the Waterloo Presbyterian Church. It was there at church that she met who was to become her future husband, Philip A. Durnin and the couple were later married on July 8, 1972, in Waterloo. "Peg" as she was known by her family and friends served as Secretary for the Towanda First Presbyterian Church for 13 years. She was subsequently employed by Frontier Industrial Technology, Towanda, Bradford County Assessment Office, Bradford County Manor, Manpower Inc., Elmira, NY, Pelton Trucking, Monroeton, Green's Auto Mart, Wysox, and served as Tax Collector for Monroe Borough for a number of years.

Margaret was a devoted member of the First Presbyterian Church, Towanda where she had previously served as clerk of sessions, auditor, bell choir member and as a choir member. Additional memberships include the Towanda Lions Club, Valley Chorus, and several widowed persons groups. Margaret enjoyed knitting and sharing this passion in the Wednesday knitting group. She knitted countless prayer shawls and hats for people suffering

through illness, people she would never meet but wanted to lift them up in their time of need. Volunteering in earlier years with the Towanda Youth Bowling program and Outstanding Young Woman programs.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Stacy L. and Chuck Mount, son, Jeffrey A. Durnin, grandchildren, Ashley L. Mount and Clayton F. Mount and fiancé Raelyn Slater, twin brother, Michael Jenks and sister-in-law, Linda Jenks, brother-in-law William Harm as well as several nieces, nephews, cousins, and their families.

Margaret was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 44 years, Philip A. Durnin on July 16, 2016, father and mother Paul C. and Patricia B. Jenks, brother, Richard Jenks, brother and sister-in-law, Thomas and Janet Jenks, sister, Kathleen Harm, and nephew, Eric Jenks.

The family will receive friends Monday, July 28, 2025, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 5 Court St. Towanda, PA with a memorial service to follow at 6:00 p.m. with Pastor Randy Reddinger officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that contributions may be directed to the First Presbyterian Church, 5 Court St. Towanda, PA 18848 or to Guthrie Hospice, 421 Tomahawk Road, Towanda, PA 18848 in Margaret J. Durnin's memory. Arrangements are under the direction of the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home, Towanda, PA. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Receive Friends

JUL 28. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church
5 Court Street
Towanda, PA 18848

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Much love, Amanda, Nate and Becky purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Margaret J. "Peg" Durnin.



Much love, Amanda, Nate and Becky - July 26, 2025 at 10:33 AM



“ Christopher L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret J. "Peg" Durnin.

Christopher L. - July 24, 2025 at 12:46 PM



“ Such a huge loss of an amazing woman. I will keep you in my prayers.

Leah Jones - July 24, 2025 at 10:17 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Margaret J. "Peg" Durnin.

July 24, 2025 at 09:34 AM

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Mike Jenks - July 23, 2025 at 01:01 PM

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“ Mike and Linda Jenks purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Margaret J. "Peg" Durnin.



Mike and Linda Jenks - July 23, 2025 at 12:56 PM

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