



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# Louise S. Birett



Thursday, June 14, 2018

Visitation: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Service: 11:00 AM

**Grace Lutheran Church in Macungie**

28 West Main Street

Macungie, PA 1806

Rev. Samantha L. Drennan, Pastor

SUNRISE

October 13, 1940

SUNSET

June 9, 2018

## - A Note of Appreciation & Gratitude -

*We would like to thank everyone for coming to honor our dearest loved one and we thank you all for your kindness during this time. She was dear to us and your sympathy is much appreciated. We must continue to love each other as she loved us all.*

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## Footprints

*One night I dreamed a dream.  
As I was walking along the beach with my Lord,  
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life.  
For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,  
One belonging to me and one to my Lord.  
After the last scene of my life flashed before me,  
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.  
I noticed that at many times along the path of my life,  
especially at the very lowest and saddest times,  
there was only one set of footprints.  
This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it.  
"Lord, you said once I decided to follow you,  
You'd walk with me all the way.  
But I noticed that during the saddest and  
most troublesome times of my life,  
there was only one set of footprints.  
I don't understand why, when I needed  
You the most, You would leave me."  
He whispered, "My precious child, I love  
you and will never leave you  
Never, ever, during your trials and testings.  
When you saw only one set of footprints,  
It was then that I carried you."*

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## *- Order of Service -*

Prelude  
Gathering  
Thanksgiving for Baptism  
Greeting  
Prayer of the Day  
Hymn:  
"In the Garden" See Supplemental Hand Out  
Psalm: Psalm 34:18  
Gospel I: Matthew 11:25-30  
A Time for Remembrance  
Senior Choir Anthem  
"Yes, My Jesus Loves Me" (McDonald)

Gospel II: John 14:1-4  
Meditation  
Hymn of the Day  
"Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling ELW 608"  
Apostles Creed  
Prayers of Intercession  
Lord's Prayer  
Commendation  
Sending Hymn  
"Here I am, Lord" ELW 574

*The family invites you all to join us for lunch in Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.  
Thank you for being with us today!*

## *- Life Story -*

It is with great sadness that we share the news of Louise S Birett's passing on Saturday, June 9th, 2018 from complications from Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD).

Louise, the daughter of Helmut and Maria Schwarz was born in Philadelphia on October 13th, 1940. She married her best friend Robert, on February 10th, 1962. Their love created two daughters, Brenda and Robin.

Louise enjoyed her work as a secretary. She was efficient, organized, liked being relied on by her bosses and counterparts and was passionate about grammar.

She loved to camp! For a city girl that loved her comforts, camping took her family away to nature and shopping outlets. It was the best family memories we made and after they were empty nesters, it still gave Bob and Louise the best adventures as they enjoyed each other's company while seeing this country. They saw all but 7 states and had a plan to see them all.

She loved being with friends and they were very important to her. She enjoyed playing cards, dominoes, mahjong, shopping or just chatting. She was a great storyteller and could make anyone cry from laughter. She was a great listener who would always offer exactly what you needed to hear.

She so enjoyed singing and was an active member of the choirs for Tabor Lutheran Church, Trinity Lutheran Church, Grace Lutheran Church, Philadelphia Quartette Club, Vereinigung Erzegebirge and the Damenchor Heimat Echo throughout her life

She loved being a mom and was a wonderful one to her daughters, grandchildren and many rescued dogs over the years.

She was a devoted Christian and knew Jesus her whole life. She wasn't afraid to die because she knew she would join her Lord in paradise and that is a great comfort to those who mourn her.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Robert, her daughter Brenda with her husband David and their children James and Jack, her daughter Robin with her husband Christopher and their children Caitlyn and Tyler.



SORROWFULLY SUBMITTED *The Family*



*The Lord hath appeared of old unto me,  
saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an  
everlasting love: therefore with loving  
kindness have I drawn thee.  
- Jeremiah 31:3*