



## Vickie L. Valentine

July 4, 1945 - December 5, 2023

Vickie L. (Gatton) Valentine, age 78, passed into glory on December 5, 2023. Vickie was born on July 4, 1945, the daughter of the late Grover Gatton and Eileen (Hull-Gatton) Midlam. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Dr. James C. Valentine.

Vickie grew up in Delaware, Ohio. She attended Union College in Kentucky. It was there that she met the love of her life, who she affectionately called “Jimmy”. They celebrated 56 years of marriage. Together they served the Lord in the United Methodist Church for over 40 years. She has long awaited and looked forward to their reunion.

Vickie was an active member of her community where she diligently served in the local food pantry. Vickie had a true servant’s heart. She enjoyed teaching the children’s message at church and was active in the church’s vacation bible school and choir. She enjoyed creative pursuits such as crocheting and baking, which she cheerfully donated to the church for various events.

She was a graduate of Mansfield University and earned her master’s degree in special education at Marywood University. She taught at the Susquehanna Valley Central School District for 18 years as a primary special education teacher. Every one of her students held a special place in her heart.

Her shining stars were her sons. Vickie was a loving and devoted mother to Clifford J. Valentine (Christine) of Dunmore, PA and Cory J. Valentine (Wendy) of Hallstead, PA.

Her world was her grandchildren, who she doted on every opportunity she had. Vickie was adored by her six grandchildren, Isaac Valentine, Esther Winters (Arin), Gayle, Elijah, Ella, and Asher Valentine. They will miss their grandma. Her particular joy was baking with all of her grandkids. She had the utmost patience as they joyfully spread flour on her table, chairs, and freshly swept floor. She delighted in their every creation and would leave their sticky handprints on the front door window a day or two for her own enjoyment. She was known for making the most amazing chocolate chip cookies! Family holidays won't be the same without her special touch.

She is survived and loved by her sister, Sherrie Williams and brother, Richard Gatton (LuAnn).

In lieu of flowers, the Valentines ask that you honor Vickie by treating your loved ones to homemade chocolate chip cookies or make a donation to The Caring Community Food Bank at the Community Methodist Church, P.O. Box 586, Great Bend, PA 18821.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

Susquehanna, PA 18847

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 10. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Community Methodist Church  
436 Main Street  
Great Bend, PA 18821

## Service

DEC 10. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I remember her setting behind me in Church and she had such a beautiful voice and I said she should be in the choir and she said no because she finally got to sit with Jim. I'll never forget that. They were both the nicest people. God bless them both.

Suzanne S Cobb - December 08, 2023 at 08:19 AM

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“ Blair, Vulhop, and Zombeck Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vicki L. Valentine.

Blair, Vulhop, and Zombeck Families - December 07, 2023 at 08:09 PM



“ Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Vickie L. Valentine.



December 07, 2023 at 08:09 PM