



Margaret "Peggy" Susan Gunnesch

October 26, 1935 - August 7, 2025

Margaret "Peggy" Susan Gunnesch, nee Hill, passed away on Thursday, August 7, 2025 at the age of 89. Peggy was born on October 26, 1935 in Hillsdale, Michigan, the daughter of Donald and Helen Majorie (Ryder) Hill. In December of 1966 she married Otto E. Gunnesch, and he preceded her in death in 1987.

Saline, Michigan had been her home since August of 1967 until she moved to Ann Arbor in 2019. Peggy was an active member of the First United Methodist Church of Saline since 1969. She was a member of the Handbell Choir since its inception, worked on the Church newsletter, subbing in when the secretary was either sick or on vacation, and served on many different committees. In addition, Peggy helped in the kitchen when help was needed for funeral luncheons and furnished food of her own for the lunches too. She was also a long-time member of the Elderwise Program (Life-Long Learning) who met in the Vineyard Church on Packard Road.

Survivors include her children Andrew F. (Stephanie) Gunnesch of New York and Wilma J. Gunnesch of Ann Arbor, her older brother Jack (Judy) Hill of Missouri, and various nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. In addition to her husband she was preceded in death by her older brother Richard A. Hill in 2004, and her younger brother James F. Hill in 2022.

Peggy was a source of light who loved life; she shared her joy with everyone she met and left a lasting impact on many people's lives. Her bright smile and infectious laugh lifted spirits wherever she went. Peggy will be missed by everyone.

Friends may join the family for a time of visitation on Friday, September 26th, 2025 at the First United Methodist Church of Saline from 11:00 A.M. until the time of Memorial Service at 12:00 P.M. Pastor Amy Triebwasser will officiate the service. A luncheon will be held at the Church, following the service. Inurnment will take place in the Oakwood Cemetery in Saline at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Peggy's name may be made to First United Methodist Church Saline, Memo Line: Music Department, or to First United Methodist Church Saline, Memo Line: Bell Choir, and envelopes will be available at the service. The service will be live streamed and can be viewed by visiting <https://www.fumc-saline.org/live-stream/> To leave a memory you have of Peggy, to sign her guestbook or for directions please visit www.rbfhsaline.com

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

227 West Michigan Ave
Saline, MI 48176

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 26. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Saline
1200 North Ann Arbor Street
Saline, MI
<http://www.fumc-saline.org/>

Memorial Service

SEP 26. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Saline
1200 N Ann Arbor St
Saline, MI 48176
(734) 429-4730

Luncheon

SEP **26**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Robison-Bahn Miller Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Live streaming of the service for Peggy Gunnesch in memory of Margaret "Peggy" Susan Gunnesch



Robison-Bahn Miller Funeral Home & Cremation Services - August 11, 2025 at 01:54 PM



“ Peggy was such a good friend to my mom, Elaine Carter. They spent many hours together at the Methodist Church, folding bulletins, walking, funeral lunches, and many other things. When mom couldn't drive any more, Peggy was always willing to help with rides. She also was a frequent visitor when mom was at the EVH. Peggy, may your soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Sue Mulka - September 22, 2025 at 04:06 PM



“ She was always a joy to see at church, always had a smile on. Folded many a bulletins with her before sundays. Watching her play the bells. Such a wonderful woman who will be greatly missed. ❤️



Carol A Eberle - August 08, 2025 at 02:59 PM

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One of my mom's, Annella Aurand, dear friends. Praying for the family that their memories would bring comfort.

patty lady - August 08, 2025 at 05:25 PM

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A super lady

Mary Lou Hess - August 12, 2025 at 01:56 PM

CM

her gentle spirit, her beaming smile, her sense of humor, her dedication and determination to do whatever for her health, her generosity with and for others, her bells and her hats... she was a special lady indeed and is missed but she is playing bells and walking and doing yoga in heaven alongside angels.

Carolyn Minnette - August 14, 2025 at 12:48 PM