



Elizabeth "Liz" Irene Lechthaler

October 11, 1933 - May 11, 2026

Elizabeth Irene ("Liz") Lechthaler, aged 92, passed away peacefully at her home on May 11, 2026. She was surrounded by the devotion, care, and love of her family and dear friends. Despite her considerable efforts, she was unable to recuperate after sustaining multiple hip fractures, an outcome that, to her expressed consternation, deeply saddened her.

Maschell Hines and Carlene Taylor, sisters, friends and caregivers, recently described Liz as quiet yet spirited, a woman of minimal wants and needs, whose primary desire was to maintain control over her personal affairs. This indelible image—her intelligence, meticulously groomed appearance, and steadfast commitment to avoiding imposition on others—is how she will always be remembered.

Born in Baltimore, Maryland, on October 11, 1933, Liz was the daughter of the late Charles Frederick Lechthaler and Irene Elizabeth Bullen Lechthaler. She was a twin, sharing her birth with her beloved sister, Irene Elizabeth Lechthaler ("Irene"), who passed away at the age of 75, preceding Liz in death. Both sisters received their education at Roland Park Country School in Baltimore. They often wore matching outfits, which family and friends frequently provided, creating a charming spectacle in their youth.

With parental encouragement, they dedicated their summers at camps in Maine to cultivating athletic and leadership abilities. This formative experience proved invaluable upon their graduation from Hollins University. Liz, for instance, adeptly managed schedules for a minimum of three sports while

also playing those sports and the ukulele.

Inspired by their mother's desire to see the world coupled with their dad's reluctance to do so, the sisters probably used all of their C&P vacation time traveling all around the world. The family was fascinated by the tales and slide shows of foreign places frequently shared at family holiday gatherings-- which passed the urge to experience other places on to their family. Dick Lechthaler, Edna Lechthaler and Suzanne Lechthaler Hood especially took the message to heart and have traveled extensively as well.

The advent of World War II significantly broadened opportunities for talented women, enabling these accomplished young ladies to secure fulfilling careers in Communications Engineering with C&P Telephone and its successors immediately after college. Their professional progression led them both into management roles, positions they retained successfully until their retirement in the 1990s, at which point they relocated to Easton, Maryland.

Upon acquiring a new residence in Easton, a circle of friends was cultivated through their involvement with St. Mark's United Methodist Church and their volunteer work for The Auxiliary of the then-named Memorial Hospital at Easton. This latter role included sorting and tagging merchandise at The Bazaar, a used clothing store. Additionally, both women dedicated thousands of hours to knitting pink and blue caps for newborn babies.

In 2009, the sisters relocated to a newly constructed residence within Londonderry on the Tred Avon in Easton, a project they personally oversaw. Sadly, Irene passed away a short time later. Liz continued to reside there, greatly supported by the dedicated staff and residents of Londonderry, and by the companionship of Margaret Bryan, which allowed her to experience safety and serenity throughout her remaining years.

Special thank you to Talbot Hospice for its role in Liz' serene departure to join her sister, parents and two brothers.

Liz is also predeceased by her brothers, Harold and Warren, and their wives, Edna and Audrey.

She is survived by her nephew, Richard C. Lechthaler, of Vermont, and his

wife Carole; her niece, Paige Lechthaler Nagle, of New York, and her husband, Art; her niece, Suzanne Lechthaler Hood, of Royal Oak, Maryland, and her husband, Richard; her nephew, Donald Warren Lechthaler, of Union Bridge, Maryland, and his wife, Karen and many, many nieces, nephews and caregivers.

Liz will be interred during a private service at Druid Ridge Cemetery on May 18, 2026, at 2 p.m.

A Celebration of Life in honor of Liz will take place at the Manor House within the Londonderry on the Tred Avon on Thursday, May 28, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Family, friends, caregivers, and staff are warmly invited to attend. A ukulele group, featuring several Londonderry residents, is scheduled to perform a mini-concert. We encourage all to join us in celebrating Liz's life with reverence and music.

Cemetery Details

Druid Ridge Cemetery

Baltimore, MD

Upcoming Events

Celebration of Life Service

MAY **28**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (est)

Manor House at Londonderry
700 Port St.
Easton, MD