



Ellen Elizabeth Leever

June 5, 1969 - July 1, 2015

Ellen Elizabeth Leever of Annapolis, MD died at Anne Arundel Medical Center on July 1, 2015. She was 46.

Born in Cheverly, MD, she was the daughter of Leon Edwin Criss and Sally Anne Wenrich. She graduated from Elizabeth Seton High School in Bladensburg, MD in the Class of 1987. She then received her Associate's Degree from Johnson & Wales Culinary School in Providence, RI, and worked in several restaurants in the Washington, DC area as a pastry chef. On Sept. 25, 1993, she married Steen Edward Leever of Silver Spring, MD. Mrs. Leever was active with her husband in the Knights of Columbus in College Park, MD. She was a dedicated Washington Redskins Fan.

She is survived by her loving husband of 21 years, Steven E. Leever; her parents, Leon and Sally Criss; and her sisters, Sarah Clowser of Stevensville, MD and Margaret Milhorn of Odenton, MD.

All services will be private.

Donations may be made in Ellen's memory to Elizabeth Seton High School, 5715 Emerson Street, Bladensburg, MD 20710.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral

Home, P.A. in Chester, MD.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ellen Elizabeth Leever*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Ellen Elizabeth Leever*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I wish you the peace and strength you will need to get through each day. I wish you God's blessings and all you need during your time of bereavement. May God be with you and may Ellen's light continue to shine as she becomes one of the many stars we have to look over us.*

Kelly Savoy Tucker, ESHS Class of '85

Kelly Savoy Tucker - July 13, 2015 at 11:27 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Steve, Ellen's parents and sisters. I'm sure going to miss seeing her on Sunday's at the Knights during the summer and on social occasions throughout the year. Although she didn't play, she was a fiery competitor but always had a smile and kind words during and afterwards. We're all going to miss seeing her wearing yellow with a big smile on her face. Rest in Peace my friend.*

Kevin Clark - July 08, 2015 at 06:38 PM

SL

Thank you Kevin so much for those kind words. she always enjoyed the games especially against ST Mary's. She will be missed. Steve

Steve Leever - July 08, 2015 at 08:51 PM

JW

“ My deepest sympathy for the loss of Ellen, a wonderful person. We were in the same class at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton High School. Ellen always wore a smile and had a kind word for everyone. She radiated positivity and was a real team player. My thoughts and prayers are with you.



Joelle Ward - July 06, 2015 at 06:32 PM

SS

“ My deepest sympathy on the loss of Ellen, I coached her in softball many years ago and she was one of the best! My thoughts and prayers are with the Criss family. RIP Ellen. Susan Smith

Susan Smith - July 06, 2015 at 06:19 PM

TO

“ Ellen was two years ahead of me at Elizabeth Seton High School. It is there that I learned of the beautiful tradition of having a Big Sister; one to show you the ropes of life at Seton. Although Ellen was not a Big Sister to me; her spirit was certainly felt. I didn't have the chance to get to know her very well, if at all. My prayers for her family and friends.

Therese O'Connor Class of '89 ESHS

Therese O'Connor - July 05, 2015 at 11:37 PM

FB

“ Francis & Marie B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Ellen Elizabeth Leever.



Francis & Marie B. - July 05, 2015 at 03:51 PM

FL

“ Frank Lattanzi lit a candle in memory of Ellen Elizabeth Leever



Frank Lattanzi - July 05, 2015 at 02:40 PM

FL

“ To the Leever and Criss families:

The Brothers of Prince George's Council 2809 were informed of Ellen's death today, including members of the bowling league. Denise and I are saddened by this news. Please know that all of you are in our thoughts and prayers as you continue to mourn. Take care and God bless.

Frank and Denise Lattanzi

Frank Lattanzi - July 05, 2015 at 02:39 PM

FB

“ We are so sorry. Ellen always had a smile for everyone. We played shuffle board on Wednesday night with her. She was a special person. So sorry Steve, Sallie, Lee and family. Frank and Marie Brailer

Frank and Marie Brailer - July 05, 2015 at 02:35 PM

DA

“ Doug And Nanette Amann lit a candle in memory of Ellen Elizabeth Leever



Doug and Nanette Amann - July 05, 2015 at 02:01 PM

DA

“ We have lost a wonderful soul. My prayers are with Steve and the Criss's in their grief. She is now at god's side and is in no more pain. We will miss her.

Doug and Nanette Amann

Doug and Nanette Amann - July 05, 2015 at 02:01 PM

AK

“ As a member of the class of 1987, I remember how friendly Ellen was . I'm saddened by her early departure and pray that God will comfort and strengthen her family during this time of bereavement .

Angelique Kwabenah - July 05, 2015 at 04:00 AM

MD

“ *Ellen and I were in the same home room at Elizabeth Seton High School. She was a sweet, funny, and kind friend. Please accept my deepest condolences at the loss of Ellen. You are in my prayers. May Ellen rest in peace.*

Mary Pat Donoghue

Mary Pat Donoghue - July 04, 2015 at 05:13 PM

KD

“ *My deepest sympathies to Steven and the Criss family. I have so many great memories of Ellen to hanging at the Knights, playing shuffleboard as partners, hanging at softball games but most of all just being together and laughing. I will miss her dearly. She is now at peace with our loving God*

Kimberly Donohue - July 04, 2015 at 04:50 PM

KD

“ *Kimberly Donohue lit a candle in memory of Ellen Elizabeth Leever*



Kimberly Donohue - July 04, 2015 at 04:46 PM

 Marianne Santangelo

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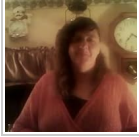


Marianne Santangelo - July 04, 2015 at 07:47 AM

LB

So sad to hear we lost a sister:(

Lisa Chiodo Barnes - July 04, 2015 at 10:32 AM



“ *Carla Pritchard lit a candle in memory of Ellen Elizabeth Leever*



Carla Pritchard - July 03, 2015 at 11:14 PM

MW

“ *Ellen and I used to play soccer together back at st. Bernard school and Mr. Colman was outreach. We both shared the position of halfback.....I remember her s t Seaton too...and her laughs were infectious.....she will be missed.martha webb*

martha webb - July 03, 2015 at 11:13 PM

RM

“ *To the Criss and Leever families, I offer you my heartfelt condolences in the loss of Ellen. She was a sweet person in high school and we will forever be Seton sisters. May the Lord comfort you today and always.*

Rhonda Richards Mason - July 03, 2015 at 09:32 PM



“ *It pains me to not have been able to say goodbye every memory growing up and now involves my aunt I know she is at peace and no longer in pain she was loving caring and kind hearted its funny because I did not like Brussels sprouts growing up at all then aunt Ellen made these sprouts with carrots onions and a lot more safe to say since then it has been a favorite dish of mine at dinner time aunt Ellen I will always love you and cherish all the time we had together hug Brandon for me look over us all and keep us safe. rest easy*



Chris Milhorn - July 03, 2015 at 08:54 PM

NL

“ *Ellen and I were friends throughout High School. My deepest condolences go out to Ellen's family and friends. She was such a beautiful lady inside and out! She could always make me laugh. I always looked forward to the classes we had together - even though we always got in trouble for talking and laughing. I'm sure she will make the angels laugh as well. You will be missed and I'm proud to have called you my friend. Rest in Peace and God's Love.
Nancy Cicala De Luca - ESHS Class of 1987*

Nancy De Luca - July 03, 2015 at 07:00 PM

LS

“ *My deepest condolences go out to Steve, the Criss and Leever families. I had the privilege to go to high school with Ellen. Ellen's personally was as bright as sunshine. I remember her with a smile to share and laughter. I pray for peace and comfort for you all.
Lisa Eckstorm Stoddard, ESHS Class of 1987*

Lisa Stoddard - July 03, 2015 at 01:28 PM

CS

“ My sincerest condolences to Ellen's family & friends. In High School, She was such a bright light, always funny & always kind. We were always laughing. Ellen's joyful spirit will live through her Seton Sisters, always. I know that grief & healing are a process & my prayers are with all of you through this journey. Remember Ellen always with a smile in her heart.



Colleen Steel - July 03, 2015 at 12:47 PM

TP

“ To the Criss and Leever families, I am so sorry for your loss. I went to middle school and high school with Ellen. Ellen was always very kind and loving. I am very sad to learn of her passing. Keeping her in my prayers and your families. May God bring you peace and comfort. God bless.



Traci Wares Peters - July 03, 2015 at 11:29 AM

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colleen steel - July 03, 2015 at 12:42 PM

TF


May the Lord bless and comfort you during this unmeasurable time of grief. Many fond memories of a wonderful Seton Sister. Sending my sincere condolences.

Teresa Farrell - July 03, 2015 at 12:52 PM

SA

My sincere condolences to the Criss & Leever families. I was Ellen's teacher at ESHS. She also went on many trips with the Seton Ski & Travel Club for which I was the moderator. She was a sweet, fun-loving girl who was loved by all. May God help you through this sad time! RIP, Ellen!

Shirl Ackerman-Ross - July 04, 2015 at 05:33 AM

 Eileen Pastorious

“ *I went to High School with Ellen. I have many fond memories of her, especially how funny she was. Always made me laugh! So sad she is gone. Will keep her family in my prayers.*


Eileen Pastorious - July 03, 2015 at 11:07 AM

DR

“ *My prayers of comfort for you to the Criss Family and Ellen's husband Steve. May God keep you as you embark on this difficult journey of grief and the process of healing. Desma E. Robinson, ESHS Class of 1987*



Desma Robinson - July 03, 2015 at 09:10 AM

 Ronda Loveday Morris

“ *Prayers to Steve and the Criss family. Many fun times while we were in high school. Very saddened to hear that she is gone.*

Ronda Loveday Morris - July 02, 2015 at 10:34 PM

AA

“ So sorry to hear this sad news :(I have wonderful memories of all the times we spent together in high school. I met Ellen on the first day of our freshman year and she made me feel so welcome with her bright smile and personality! Thoughts and prayers to the Criss and Leever families.

Anne Marie Cullen Allison

Anne Marie Cullen Allison - July 02, 2015 at 10:00 PM

ER

“ I will pray for your family. I grew up with Ellen. Her dad was our coach. God bless her family

evonne ryave - July 02, 2015 at 09:45 PM


Kathleen
Wooldridge

“ Lee and Sally, my deepest condolences to both of you! I was shocked when I heard the news! I will remember us playing sports together and being coached by your husband! She's your angel in heaven watching down! You both will be in my thoughts and prayers! God Bless both of you!
Kathleen Smits Wooldridge

Kathleen Wooldridge - July 02, 2015 at 08:14 PM

KM

“ Words will never express this empty place in my heart.

Karen Martinez - July 02, 2015 at 07:34 PM

AP

“ To the Criss and Leever family,I am deeply saddened by the loss of my great college friend!..We shared many a good times,and had a lot of fun together. .maybe too much fun at times!. LOL!..She was my "little sister"!..She was always such a joy to be around! I haven't seen her in years, but we have always managed to keep in touch!..I will always remember her as that funny, sweet and kind person that she always was!.Steven,Mr.and Mrs.Criss,The Leever family and The Criss family,may her memory always be eternal!

Alexander Pavlov - July 02, 2015 at 07:01 PM

MC

“ I was sad to hear of Ellen's passing. We have so many great Knights of Columbus memories! My prayers are with Steve and the Criss family during this difficult time.
Blessings,
Michelle (Bussink) Chervenak

Michelle Chervenak - July 02, 2015 at 02:27 PM