



## Courtney Marie Harkins

November 19, 1992 - August 23, 2024

Courtney Marie Harkins, 31, of Irwin, died unexpectedly Friday August 23, 2024. She was born November 19, 1992 in Pittsburgh, the daughter of Larry C. and Allison L. (Weathers) Harkins of Irwin. Courtney loved the theater. She was a graduate of Penn-Trafford High School where she was a member of the drama guild and the marching band and served as drum major her senior year. She went on to graduate with a bachelor's degree in music education from Duquesne University and was involved with the theater group there. She performed with Stage Right, Split Stage, and Actors and Artists of Fayette County; among others. She also was an accomplished flutist and had given flute lessons. Courtney was not only regarded as an unprecedented talent in multiple facets on the stage, but a more incredible friend and confidant in the other aspects of her life. Everyone who loved Courtney found their life enriched by her presence. Her kindness, talent, and beauty poured over everyone who crossed her path. She consistently, without failure, brought grace, humility, and fondness for life to everyone around her. She was an animal lover, especially her three cats and her dog. In addition to her parents she is survived by the love of her life Michael Hamilla; her grandmother Carol Keifer; also numerous aunts and uncles and many friends. She was preceded in death by her grandparents Charles and Margaret Harkins and Albert Weathers. Friends will be received from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday August 27, at the William Snyder Funeral Home, 521 Main Street, Irwin where a funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday August 28, with Rev. Roger Steiner,

officiating. Interment will follow in Union Cemetery, North Huntingdon. In lieu of flowers a contribution can be made to the National Kidney Foundation at [www.kidney.org](http://www.kidney.org). For online condolences please visit [www.snyderfuneralservices.com](http://www.snyderfuneralservices.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Irwin Union Cemetery

431 Bridge St  
Irwin, PA 15642

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 27.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

William Snyder Funeral Home, Inc.  
521 Main Street  
Irwin, PA 15642  
(724) 863-1200  
<https://williamsnyderfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

**AUG 28.** 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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521 Main Street  
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# Tribute Wall



“ I met Courtney when I was 5 and just started figure skating. We did so many competitions, practices and everything. She was like a sister to me for the past 26 years of my life. I will treasure all the fun times we had over the years.



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**Caroline Carlson** - August 27, 2024 at 10:54 PM

SA

“ Sonia A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Courtney Marie Harkins.

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**Sonia A.** - August 27, 2024 at 03:48 PM

CF

“ I worked with Courtney at LSC since hiring her several years ago. What struck me most about Courtney was her beautiful soul. She was a genuinely loving and caring person who always wore that infectious smile. I will miss her positivity, and of course that smile. My condolences to all her friends, loved ones and family.

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**Curtis Fry** - August 27, 2024 at 12:42 PM



“ 419 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



**William Snyder Funeral Home** - August 27, 2024 at 11:35 AM

BL

“ *BNi Loyalty purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Courtney Marie Harkins.*



**BNi Loyalty** - August 27, 2024 at 11:06 AM

AM

“ *Courtney was a light in all of our lives. She was smart, beautiful, kind, and so talented. To know her was to love her. She touched so many peoples lives and because she brought us all such great joy we have this extreme grief. Our hearts ache for Larry and Alison. We are all so lucky to have had Courtney in our lives. She was a force of positivity, and the light of her spirit will live on through all of us. Prayers for strength and comfort for Alison and Larry. Love, Annie and Todd McCoy*

**Annie and Todd McCoy** - August 27, 2024 at 08:55 AM

RW

“ Courtney was a stellar member of our Music Education Program at Duquesne University. She taught with vibrance, always wore a smile, and made us very proud to have known and worked with her. Sending my deepest condolences to her loved ones. She will truly be missed.

*Rachel Whitcomb*

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**Rachel Whitcomb** - August 27, 2024 at 06:31 AM

DT

“ Courtney was a light that brightened everyone's life that she touched and we are so blessed to have had her in ours. She was a beautiful person both inside and out.

*We will always remember all of the fun we had with her on our family vacation in the Outer Banks and how excited she was to play in the ocean waves. Always thought she looked like an angel in this photo...and now she is.*

*God bless you Courtney.....you will live in our hearts forever.*

*The Taylor Family*



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**D Taylor** - August 26, 2024 at 11:53 PM

SB

“ Larry and Allison,  
We are so saddened by the loss of your beautiful, loving, and talented daughter Courtney. We know how proud you both are of all her accomplishments that she has given to bring so much joy to others. She was truly an amazing young lady. May God surround her with his loving open arms and bring peace to all of her family and friends.  
With all our love,  
Jerry, Sharon and Beth Burkovich

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Sharon Burkovich - August 26, 2024 at 11:01 PM

SR

“ We hope this message finds you surrounded by strength and compassion. Courtney was loved by many and always a joy to work with. She was up to the challenge and willing to support where she could. We are sending our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Please be well.  
Elena Rutkowski for the Xcel Energy Damage Prevention Team



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Stephanie Elena Rutkowski - August 26, 2024 at 04:48 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Courtney Marie Harkins.



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August 26, 2024 at 03:11 PM

LF

“ Lauren Finney planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Courtney Marie Harkins.

Lauren Finney - August 26, 2024 at 03:11 PM



“ Athena met Courtney as a young student at Parasky Flute Studios. Athena immediately found a connection from their PT band experiences. Becoming a fan, Athena followed Courtney in her musical theatre career by attending many of her area performances. Now a Music Ed. major herself, Athena certainly was influenced by this talented, sweet young woman. Of course, Athena's experience is not unique. Courtney will be remembered and missed by so many. May her loved ones be consoled by all the wonderful memories that are a part of Courtney's legacy. Athena Konidaris family



Faye Kingc - August 26, 2024 at 11:48 AM

JK

“ I've worked alongside Courtney for some time now and we will miss her dearly. She was always so helpful and truly one of the most pleasant people to work with. My deepest condolences to her family and you will all be in my prayers.

Joshua Krick - August 26, 2024 at 11:28 AM

BM

“ The first time I met Courtney in person was at a company picnic. We chatted about all sorts of things but definitely bonded over our love of the theater. I ended up driving her back to her hotel afterwards and decided to play a Broadway playlist. We both were singing our hearts out the whole drive. It was the most fun I’ve had in a car in a very long time. I’ll never forget that drive. The joy I could hear in her voice as we sang was palpable. She will be dearly missed.

Becky Miller - August 26, 2024 at 10:54 AM

MC

“ Misty Card lit a candle in memory of Courtney Marie Harkins



Misty Card - August 26, 2024 at 10:14 AM

MC

Courtney was an amazing person, willing to help whenever needed. A ray of sunshine every time I spoke with her. She will be missed dearly at LSC. I am terribly sorry for your loss

Misty Card - August 26, 2024 at 10:28 AM

KZ

“ Allison and Larry we send our deepest sympathy as we all remember Courtney as part of our church family, growing up with the kids in church, a Shiney star in the sky for sure! Prayers, the Marto family (Bluman, Zummo)


Karen M Zummo - August 25, 2024 at 10:03 PM

DT

“ Allison and Larry I’m so very sorry to hear of Courtney’s passing. She always had a smile on her face and I loved when she shared her talent with us in church. My heart aches for you and you’ll be in my prayers

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**Denise Tanyer** - August 25, 2024 at 09:37 PM

  
Elizabeth  
Jeffries

“ Courtney & I were leads in “9 to 5” at Duquesne University in 2013. We were also on the Spotlight Musical Theatre Group board together. She had the most gracious upperclassman aura to my chaotic freshman energy. I’m grateful to have known her.



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**Elizabeth Jeffries** - August 25, 2024 at 09:24 PM

BR

“ Courtney was an amazing person and a force to be reckoned in the theater world with us in Nashville (my Full Monty partner/buddy). Her family is in our thoughts!



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**Bryan Rider** - August 25, 2024 at 09:01 PM

LL

“ Our deepest condolences go out to Larry, Allison, Mike and all of Courtney's family. She was such a bright spot in the world that could light up any room. We had the privilege of hearing her sing at our daughter and son-in-laws wedding and she left everyone feeling blessed to be there to hear her amazing voice. She will be fondly remembered by all who knew her.

*Ron and Linda Loughner*



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**Linda Loughner** - August 25, 2024 at 08:20 PM

AC

“ Andy and Christine purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Courtney Marie Harkins.



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**Andy and Christine** - August 25, 2024 at 07:47 PM

AC

“ Andy and Christine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Courtney Marie Harkins.

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**Andy and Christine** - August 25, 2024 at 07:47 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Courtney Marie Harkins.



August 25, 2024 at 07:30 PM



“ Wishing you peace, Amanda & Mark planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Courtney Marie Harkins.

Wishing you peace, Amanda & Mark - August 25, 2024 at 07:30 PM



“ When Courtney was in high school, she studied piano with me. She was a talented musician, looking forward to college. She was a friendly, fun person, and I so enjoyed teaching her and getting to know her.  
May God's love give her family strength and peace.  
Sylvia Andrae

Sylvia Andrae - August 25, 2024 at 07:27 PM



“ Paul, Jodi & Brendan Allison planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Courtney Marie Harkins.

Paul, Jodi & Brendan Allison - August 25, 2024 at 07:27 PM

PA

“ Paul, Jodi & Brendan Allison purchased the *Your Light Shines* for the family of Courtney Marie Harkins.



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**Paul, Jodi & Brendan Allison** - August 25, 2024 at 07:27 PM

CA

“ I was very sad and shocked to learn that Courtney passed. She was a wonderful person - talented, beautiful, fun. I am a flutist as well, and she and I played some gigs together which were always very enjoyable. I loved her energy and positive attitude. My sympathies to her family and loved ones. You are in my prayers. - Christina Andrae

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**Christina Andrae** - August 25, 2024 at 07:07 PM

TF

“ The Tim Dixon Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Courtney Marie Harkins.

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**The Tim Dixon Family** - August 25, 2024 at 06:54 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Courtney Marie Harkins.

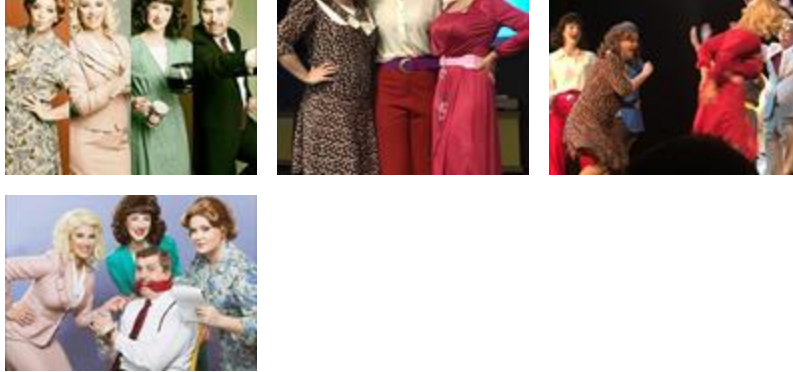


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August 25, 2024 at 06:54 PM

TA

“ Courtney and I did 9 to 5 together in Nashville in 2018. She was such a force of talent, humor, and kindness. Among many other incredible things. She will be so dearly missed but never forgotten! Rest in Power sweet Courtney!!



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**Taylor** - August 25, 2024 at 03:29 PM

EC

“ My family and I are so saddened to hear this news. We met Courtney two years ago at our son and daughter-in law’s wedding. Courtney was so incredibly vibrant and a joyful person. It was fun getting to know her as one of the wedding party. Her singing during the wedding ceremony was particularly memorable. Sending our condolences to Michael and Courtney’s family.

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**Ellie Cook** - August 25, 2024 at 03:13 PM

MJ

“ Mary, Rachel, Tyler and Josie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Courtney Marie Harkins.

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**Mary, Rachel, Tyler and Josie** - August 25, 2024 at 11:07 AM

MJ

“ Mary, Rachel, Tyler and Josie purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Courtney Marie Harkins.



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**Mary, Rachel, Tyler and Josie** - August 25, 2024 at 11:07 AM

LM

“ Will always remember the beautiful music she shared at Zion's with her beautiful voice and flute. God's comfort and love be with you.  
LaVerne

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**LaVerne Mochnick** - August 25, 2024 at 08:01 AM

ZM

“ I am so unbelievably saddened and shocked to hear this news. I still remember the summer of 2012, when we were doing Sweet Charity at Apple Hill Playhouse, and I made you belt for the first time in my car on the way to rehearsal. The look on your face when you realized that not only you could belt, but that you were GOOD is something that I will never forget. That is one of my most favorite memories, and hearing you sing and seeing you in musicals made me so proud to know you. You will always be in my thoughts and in my heart, and it has been an absolute honor to have shared the stage with you numerous times. I love you, and I will miss you dearly.



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**Zakk Mannella** - August 24, 2024 at 09:14 PM

MS

“ Courtney, you were the best of the best! You are a cherished and very loved friend and I will miss you immensely. My deepest condolences to your love Mike and your entire family. Fly high and sing with the choirs of angels. Love, May



May Stamper - August 24, 2024 at 06:33 PM

FY

“ From Dan Richardson and the Yungwirths planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Courtney Marie Harkins.

From Dan Richardson and the Yungwirths - August 24, 2024 at 04:12 PM

FY

“ From Dan Richardson and the Yungwirths purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Courtney Marie Harkins.



From Dan Richardson and the Yungwirths - August 24, 2024 at 04:12 PM

AY

“ Allison & Larry,  
Our hearts ache for you over the devastating loss of your beautiful Courtney.  
We will always remember her wonderful smile and kind heart!  
We are sending love and healing prayers to you both and your family.  
Love you, Andrea, Tim, Lindsey & Tyler

andrea yowan - August 24, 2024 at 12:00 PM

AY

“ *Andrea Yowan lit a candle in memory of  
Courtney Marie Harkins*



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**Andrea Yowan** - August 24, 2024 at 11:44 AM