

**SCHWENKER, R.N.**

**Diane**

Of Wilmington, DE, formerly of the Cherry Hill, N.J. area, died at her home on October 4, 2005, age 52.

Diane was born in Camden N.J. to Gladys Hall Schwenker and the late Ronald P. Schwenker. A Master's Degree prepared nurse, Diane specialized in neuroscience and neurosurgery nursing. She had worked in Philadelphia at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, and most recently, at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. Her nursing career extended to teaching in the University of Pennsylvania's Nurse Practitioner's program, and authoring several published works in nursing textbooks.

In addition to her nursing career, Diane was an active member of the Wilmington community. She was a member of St. Alban's Episcopal Church, where she served on the vestry, the church's administrative board, and also had been an officer of M.O.P.-Mother of Preschoolers, which met at Brandywine Valley Baptist Church. Diane was a blessing in the lives of all she touched.

Diane was devoted to her family. She is survived by her husband of 11 years, Gary S. Griffin; 2 sons, Stephen and Christian Griffin; her stepdaughter, Caitlin Griffin; stepson, Theodore Griffin; her mother and step-father, Gladys and Tom Megary; her stepmother, Emily Schwenker; 2 brothers, Douglas and David Schwenker; her sister, Danielle Schwenker; her sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Joan and Jeff Zechman; her brother-in-law, Timothy Griffin; and her father-in-law, Clyde Griffin.

A memorial service will be held at 11am, Saturday, October 8 at St. Alban's Episcopal Church. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 913 Wilson Rd., Wilmington, DE 19803 or Delaware Hospice, 3515 Silverside Rd., Wilmington, DE 19810. Messages of condolence may be e-mailed to [www.mccreryfuneralhome.com](http://www.mccreryfuneralhome.com)