



Phyllis Swank Beck

August 19, 1925 - April 13, 2020

Phyllis Swank Beck, 94, of Bloomington, Indiana (formly of Anderson, Indiana) passed away at Meadowood Health Pavilion on Monday, April 13, 2020, with her two loving children by her side.

She was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend. She was born on August 19, 1925, in New Castle, Indiana, the daughter of Clint and Winnie Swank. She was a graduate of Anderson High School in 1943 where she met and fell in love with her loving husband Charles 'Ned' Beck. She attended Ball State University.

Phyllis and Ned were married on August 24, 1946 after Ned returned home from the war. They were married for 71 years.

While in Columbus, Indiana, she worked at Bartholomew County Library and First United Methodist Church. While living in Anderson, she was a volunteer at St. John's Hospital and a member of the Mid-Century Club. Phyllis was an avid IU sports fan, and enjoyed playing golf, canoeing, biking, playing piano, and reading. More recently, she also enjoyed her volunteer time at IU's Assembly Hall.

Phyllis brought life and laughter into every room she walked into, and she greatly enjoyed spending time with her friends and family. She had a unique ability to find the good in all people, and embraced every moment with humor, kindness, and a smile.

Phyllis is survived by her son, Michael S. Beck (Annie), of Indianapolis, Indiana; daughter, Danni L. Beck, of Bloomington, Indiana; grandsons, Brenn Beck (Amy), Griffin Beck, Tristan Johnson (Alyse); granddaughter, Tierney Beck; two great-grandchildren and many other family members and friends.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband; parents; brothers, Earl and Robert Swank; sister, Betty Gardner.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to WildCare Inc. in Bloomington.

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, has been entrusted with arrangements. You are invited to share a memory or leave online condolences to the family at <http://www.allencares.com>.

Comments



“ i'm so glad I got to know Phyl and enjoy her in my life. She was kind, friendly and always positive. She never had a bad word to say about anyone. I will cherish the fun lunch dates and thoughtful conversations we had. I will miss her dearly and send my condolences to Danni, Mike and the rest of the family.
Ric says he remembers fondly the many times Phyl and Ned opened their house for band rehearsals. He was especially grateful that they let him bring his big Hammond organ into their house to play. Phyl would always have treats available for the starving musicians. Ric also felt honored that Phyl asked him to play at Ned's memorial. Our sympathies, Shirley and Ric Heeter

Shirley and Ric Heeter - April 22, 2020 at 01:47 PM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Phyllis Swank Beck.



April 19, 2020 at 08:53 PM



“ Phyllis was the best mother in law a girl could have. We will all miss her so much.
With all my love, Annie

Anne Minnich-Beck - April 19, 2020 at 05:03 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss Mike and Annie. My condolences to your entire family.

david thomas - April 20, 2020 at 08:45 AM



“ thank you

Anne Minnich-Beck - April 29, 2020 at 12:47 AM



“ When I first moved to Meadowood, Phyllis Beck was one of the first ladies I met along my hall way. She was so friendly, warmly sympathetic, and encouraging always -when I would see her. She also had a great sense of humor and fun about her which made it a pleasure to be with her. I was so grateful that I was able to visit her in the health care unit before the Coronavirus shut down occurred; I will miss her lovey face and friendship deeply. I send my heartfelt sympathy to her family.

Sincerely, Gerry Miller

Gerry Miller - April 19, 2020 at 01:31 PM



“ I came to know Phyllis when she and Ned joined our exercise group here at Meadowood. Phyllis's warm smile was contagious and I soon looked forward to seeing her at the morning sessions. When Ned passed away she carried on like the real trooper that she was. I shall miss her. Now, more than ever, the world needs more people like her.

Gerald Marker

Gerald Marker - April 18, 2020 at 09:46 AM