



Barbara A. Curry

December 16, 1917 - July 22, 2018

Barbara Albert Curry, 100, of Bloomington, passed away on July 22, at Meadowood Health Pavilion. Barbara was born in Attica, Indiana on December 16, 1917, to Walter and Lillian Albert. She was the oldest of four children.

Barbara graduated from MacMurray College, earning a degree in English and making life-long friends. She married Curtis Coe Curry in 1939. Shortly thereafter, they moved to Bloomington. She devoted her life to caring for and spending time with her family particularly her sons and their friends who would drop by the Curry house for one of her great Sloppy Joes and her famous brownies. Barbara was known to be a fabulous cook and people are still asking for her recipes. Once retired, Barbara and Curt spent their winters in Ocean Reef, Florida. After the death of her husband, she returned to Bloomington to reside full time where she enjoyed many more years with her family and friends. She loved having people around her and was eager for any adventure that involved traveling, enjoying frequent spur of the moment trips to visit her sisters in Hilton Head, South Carolina and Ft. Myers, Florida. Barbara was involved with many groups and organizations in the Bloomington community and never missed an opportunity to do something kind for someone else. Throughout her life, she kept journals documenting events, her experiences, and funny stories that made her laugh. Friends would often call her to look up specific things that had happened over the years. She loved

playing cards with her friends, especially bridge and Shanghai, and spent many hours teaching her grandchildren just enough to beat her. She was incredibly kind, thoughtful, and loved by everyone who knew her. She celebrated her 100th birthday last December with a joyous party. She found it hard to believe she made it to 100. It was definitely an occasion for celebration. Barbara was a lovely, beautiful lady. There were many things we learned from her, most importantly we learned about unconditional love.

Barbara is survived by her three sons: Philip Curry (Jan) of Austin, TX, Steve Curry (Marty) of Seattle, WA, and Stuart Curry (Sheri). She will also be missed by her grandchildren: Curtis Curry II (Amy Young), Niamh Curry, Kevin Curry, Sarah Curry, Courtney Curry Hill (Brian), Jason Phoebus and four great grandchildren, Alec Curry, Evan Curry, Tatum Hill, and Leona Hill.

Her husband, Curtis and grandson, Christopher, preceded her in death. They are going to be so happy to see her again. The family is very grateful to the staff at Jill's House and Meadowood Health Pavilion for the kind, thoughtful, and loving care they gave to Barbara.

A private celebration of life will take place at a later date. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, have been entrusted with arrangements. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to Barbara's family at www.allencares.com

Tribute Wall

KH

“ *Stuart, Sheri, Curtis and Kevin,
Please know that I am sending my heartfelt condolences and sympathy to each of you as you mourn the loss of your mom, mother-in-law and grandmother. I'm sure you will cherish lots of memories of her as you remember having her in your lives for so very long. I pray that God wraps you in His loving and healing grace,
Kaye Hall
Auburn, GA (formerly N. Wilkesboro, NC)*

Kaye Hall - July 29, 2018 at 04:23 PM

EM

“ The early fifties on Maxwell Lane in Bloomington, Indiana - what a wonderful place in which to be a kid growing up. There was not much south of Maxwell except "fields", but it was the people (and, in particular, the parents) which nurtured this perfect environment for the "stand by me" generation.

The mothers were the backbone of all of this, and one mother, Barbara Curry, set the standard. She was a "second mother" to me, my brother, my sister and many others. She tolerated daily summertime invasions of her house (from the basement below with a ping pong table to the top floor bedrooms) with charming and understanding patience. She had three boys but helped raise many more. Her magic in the kitchen helped make everyone welcome.

How fitting it is for Barbara Curry to be the last of the "Maxwell Lane Mothers" to move on.

She was a great one and will be missed by all of her "children".

Ed McCrea

Edward and Vickie McCrea - July 26, 2018 at 08:30 AM

LS

“ Dear Stuart and Family, please accept my condolences for your loss. May your lovely mother rest in peace.

Linda Scott - July 25, 2018 at 08:07 AM

AP

“ I got to know Barbara when she was at Jill's House. She was know as our Queen. She was beautiful and very loving. I will miss her very much. Love and Prayers to the family. Thanks KS for the memory Barbara. God Bless you all.💖 Annette

Annette Powell-Evans - July 24, 2018 at 08:03 PM