



## Elizabeth (Lib) Buck

April 4, 1923 - June 18, 2011

On Saturday, June 18, 2011 Elizabeth (Lib) Buck peacefully passed away with her family and friends in attendance.

Lib was born in Iowa City on April 4, 1923 to Eleanor and Walter Koop. Later the family moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where she spent the majority of her youth. In 1946, while attending the University of Minnesota, she met, and later married, Roger C. Buck who preceded her in death. They were married on September 4, 1948. After finishing their degrees they moved to Oxford, England to pursue a Fulbright Scholarship that had been awarded to Roger. After finishing at Oxford they spent the next several years in the Gold Coast of Africa, which is now Ghana, where Roger taught philosophy.

On their return to the US in 1952 she lived in several University and College towns before settling in Bloomington in 1959 when Roger was given a tenured position in the newly formed Department of History and Philosophy of Science at Indiana University.

Soon after arriving in Bloomington Lib became an attender, and then joined, the Bloomington Society of Friends, (Quakers).

During the 52 years that Lib made Bloomington her home she was passionate about helping the less fortunate. She spent many years working to improve the conditions in the jail. Lib helped found and establish several rehabilitation programs such as VORP, CJAM, and New Leaf/New Life. She won the communities' Volunteer of the Year award in 2000.

Where ever Lib went she wore a smile and had a kind and encouraging word for anyone she had the pleasure to meet. The only regret she had concerning her passing was that there was still so much work to be done.

Lib is survived by two siblings, Robert Koop of Fort Worth, Texas, and Sister Anna Koop of Denver, Colorado. She leaves four children, Elizabeth Lee Jones of Bloomington, Indiana, Roger K. Buck of Saranac Lake, New York, William W. Buck of Bloomington, Indiana, and Susan B. Kearney of Webster Groves, Mo. She also had five Grandchildren, Stephen Jones, Austin and Amara Kearney and Katrina and Phillip Buck.

Lib will be sorely missed by her family and countless friends.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to New Leaf/New Life, The Bloomington Society of Friends, or Heifer International.

Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old Highway 37 is handling the arrangements and online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.allenfuneralhome.org](http://www.allenfuneralhome.org).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I really liked Lib - she was such a no-nonsense, straight shooter. So smart, so funny, a great conversationalist and very easy to be around. She was a beloved neighbor to the Levys for goodness knows how many years. Really sorry to learn of her passing.* ”

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**Jocelyn Bowie** - March 22, 2013 at 08:19 AM