



Ellen Rebecca Boruff

November 4, 1927 - May 17, 2019

Ellen Rebecca (Drouillard) Boruff, 91, of Bloomington passed away Friday, May 17, 2019 at the IU Health Bloomington Hospital. She was born on November 4, 1927 in Lakewood, Ohio the daughter of Capt. Alfred Charles & Ella Rozelle (Rearick) Drouillard. Ellen was a 1945 graduate of Lakewood High School in Lakewood, Ohio, and attended Flora Stone Mather College at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. She was a 1950 Graduate of Baldwin Wallace University where she received her bachelor degree in home economics.

Ellen married William Edward Boruff on December 18, 1948 in Lakewood, Ohio. They were happily married for 58 years. They retired to Bloomington in the 1980s to enjoy the Boruff family farm.

She was a tailoring and home economics teacher, a wife and mother, homemaker, business owner, property manager, interior designer, Master Gardener and farmer.

Ellen was a member of the Lakewood Christian Church, Delta Gamma Sorority, Lakewood and Bloomington Women's Clubs and Gardening Clubs, Indiana University Club, Indiana University Friends of Music, Bloomington Worldwide Friendship, The Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation because she was a collateral descendant of George Drouillard the hunter and interpreter on the Corps of Discovery. She was a Girl Scout Leader, gave 23 year of volunteer service to IU Health/Bloomington Hospital and had great fun volunteering at the Indiana University Costume shop.

She was skilled in sewing, baking and gardening, and enjoyed art, traveling, opera and classical music, camping, sailing, history, genealogy, collecting and spending time with her family and friends. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Ellen is survived by her daughters; Jane B. Tesso of Chesterland, Ohio, Christine R. (Paul) Goehner of Calgary Alberta, Canada, Barbara B. (John) Ruben of Austin, Texas, eleven grandchildren; Brendan and Meghan McHale, Adam, William and Allen Goehner, Ariel and Carena Ruben, Kira Rutkaitis and Erin, Stephen and Ben Krutko; and twelve great grandchildren; a brother; Thomas F. (Patricia) Drouillard of Golden, Colorado; brother in law, John D. (Martha) Boruff of Roachdale, Indiana, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, daughter Katherine L. Boruff, two brothers Alfred Charles Drouillard II and William Edward Drouillard. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Cremation Rites have been accorded.

Memorial contributions may be made to the IU Health Bloomington Hospital and The Indiana University Friends of Music.

You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at www.allencares.com.

Tribute Wall

JP

“ We bought property, part of the Loudermilk farm from Ellen, Bill and bill's six cousins in 2000. We got to know Ellen and Bill during that process. They were sweet people. We love our property and have lived here ever since.

Jane Parry

Jane Parry - May 27, 2019 at 05:54 PM

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“ Ellen was one of our many wonderful volunteers at the hospital - always a delight with a story to share, a question or a suggestion! Her eyes sparkled with life and a joy which she gladly shared with all of us. I was privileged to get to be director during many of her years as a volunteer and she was a great encouragement to me and all of our staff and volunteers. Great lady and I feel blessed to have known her. ❤️

Connie Hill, former Bloomington Hospital Volunteer Director

Connie Hill - May 23, 2019 at 05:49 PM

RH

“ I worked with Ellen at the information desk at the Bloomington Hospital.

She was one of my favorite volunteers, because she was so interesting with

a story and pictures to share. She will be greatly missed. My deepest condolences

to her family and friends,

With Sympathy,

Rita Hacker

Rita Hacker - May 23, 2019 at 11:33 AM

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“ As a nurse for Dr. Doster for 30years I had taken care of Ellen for years. Always enjoyed talking with each other about gardening, sewing and cooking as I am a farmwife and enjoyed the same things. I now work with IU Health the last 3 year and again saw Ellen and we again renewed our conversations. She will be missed. Enjoy the memories she created. Know that she touched others in a good way.
LauraJune Deck

LauraJune Deck - May 23, 2019 at 07:33 AM

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Thank you LauraJune. I know you and Dr. Doster took good care of her for many years. God bless. - Barb Ruben

Barbara Ruben - May 27, 2019 at 10:54 PM