



## Jeanette O. Bridgett

March 9, 1933 - November 11, 2017

Jeanette O. Bridgett, 84, of Bloomington passed away on November 11, 2017 at IU Health Hospice House in Bloomington. Formerly of Fort Wayne, she had been a resident of Bell Trace Senior Living since September 2013. Jeanette was born in Converse, IN on March 9, 1933, to Clyde and Idell (Pochant) Pavey. Jeanette was a 1951 graduate of Ossain High School. She married Paul Ray Bridgett on November 17, 1951. Jeanette worked for SS Kresge and Troy Towel Supply as a bookkeeper. She also worked for McDonalds in Ft Wayne where she was promoted to a trainer and was invited to attend management training. Instead, she chose to return to the Kmart Distribution Center where she worked for 25 years at Ft Wayne and Manteno, IL before retiring.

She was a member of the Christ United Methodist Church and the Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Ft Wayne. She loved gardening, traveling to all 50 of the United States with her husband, teaching Sunday school, and spending time with her family and friends, she will be greatly missed by all who loved and knew her.

She is survived by her, son Neal (Barb) Bridgett of Bloomington, grandchildren Emily (Chris) Hotard of St Louis, MO, and Wilson (Shelby) Bridgett of Columbus, OH, and two great grandsons. Two sisters, Wanda (Gigs) Hopper of Peru, IN and Berneda (John) Stinson of Wabash, IN. Her parents, husband, one daughter Kathi (Jeff) Bell and one sister Alberta (Dale) Warnock preceded her in death.

A funeral service will be held at 12:00pm Wednesday at the Allen Funeral Home & Crematory 4155 S Old State Road 37. With Rev. Jim Roach Officiating. A private burial will be at the Covington Memorial Gardens, in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Visitation will be from 6:00pm to 8:00pm Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at the Allen Funeral Home & Crematory

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be directed to Arlington United Methodist Church, 1820 W Arlington Road, Bloomington, IN 47404. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at [www.allencare.com](http://www.allencare.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **14.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

## Service

NOV **15.** 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Neal, Barb, and Family. I'm sorry to hear the passing of Jeannette. I was a good friend of Kathi's and worked with her at the Developmental Center. I can remember when we first met each other and started talking about our parents, we learned both our moms worked at Kmart Distribution Center in Fort Wayne. I have fond memories talking with Kathi about her parents and of course us comparing notes on our moms. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

*Dawn Casselman*

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**Dawn Casselman** - November 16, 2017 at 09:56 PM



“ In 1973 I went to work at McDonald's in Indiana. I was put with an older woman in her 40's..I was 17. She was my trainer. That was the beginning of a long relationship. My mentor, roll model and dear friend. My brother and I called her mom or Mrs B. I will miss this wonderful lady of grace. Her letters are all in my keeping. Looking forward to our reunion in heaven. Prayers for you Neal and Barb. What a blessing to have had such great parents.

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**Debra** - November 15, 2017 at 07:42 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Jeanette O. Bridgett.



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November 14, 2017 at 04:55 PM

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“ I was so sad to hear that Aunt Jeanette had passed away. May your many happy memories of a loving Mother and Grandmother offer you some comfort during your time of grief. I will be unable to attend her service but you will be in my thoughts and prayers.

*Teri Hopper Fletcher*

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**Teri Hopper Fletcher** - November 14, 2017 at 10:49 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Jeanette O. Bridgett.



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November 14, 2017 at 09:58 AM

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“ *Like Jeanette, I live at Bell Trace Senior Living apartment complex. She was born in Converse. When Jeanette learned I grew up on our family farm near Converse, she told me she was named for Jeanette McKeefer; I grew up with her daughters, Sara Lou and Carol Ann. Now that I am retired, it is especially delightful to see someone from home living here. I have sweet memories of Jeanette. I look forward to visiting with her again when I join her in Paradise. Lovingly, Ellen (Cookie) Klingman Pettay*

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**Ellen Klingman Pettay** - November 13, 2017 at 10:02 PM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Jeanette O. Bridgett.*



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November 13, 2017 at 07:16 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Jeanette O. Bridgett.*



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November 13, 2017 at 03:34 PM



“ *Dear Neal, Barb, and family - I am so very sorry to read of Mrs. Bridgette's passing in the Fort Wayne Journal Gazette this morning and to learn that your father, too, has already passed. Your sister Kathi Bell was my very good friend at work, and I kept in touch with her throughout her long illness. Your mother's faith and strength during that long difficult time impressed me deeply, and she was kind enough to keep in touch with me off and on over the last few years. Now, reading about her life in the newspaper, I understand better how Kathi developed those excellent social and office management skills we all so much appreciated! I continue to miss Kathi and will remember your mother with admiration. My wishes for solace go to all of you at this difficult time and I pray that you all will find the strength and consolation to bear this additional loss.*  
*Sincerely, Beth Lauer*

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**Beth Lauer** - November 13, 2017 at 11:52 AM



“ ToNeal &:Barb We send our deepest condolences to both of you and your families. Jeanette was a special person. We were planning on coming to see her .Sorry we weren't able to get down there. We will be thinking of you .  
 Carol & Jim Goeglein

Carol Goeglein - November 13, 2017 at 11:34 AM



Mrs B was probably the dearest of ladies I have ever known. I valued her friendship and her mentorship. I have kept her letters through the years and I will miss the continuation of them. You were blessed with the best parents, Neal. You are in my prayers!

Debra - November 13, 2017 at 07:25 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Allen Funeral Home and Crematory - November 12, 2017 at 06:37 AM