



## Norma Ruth (Axsom) Roper

January 6, 1933 - May 18, 2014

Norma Ruth (Axsom) Roper, 81 of Bloomington, IN passed away at IU Health Hospice House Sunday May 18, 2014. She was born in January 6, 1933 in Bloomington, IN to Millard and Alma (Deckard) Axsom. Norma graduated from Bloomington High School in 1950. After High School she became a RN and received her nursing degree from Welborn in Evansville, IN.

Norma was a supervisor at Bloomington Hospital. She started in 1969 working in health services for Bloomington Metropolitan School System (MCCSC). Her memberships include, Local Council of Women, Delta Kappa Gamma, Altrusa, RN Club, Business and Professional Women, Public Health Nursing/Child Protective Services. She was an active member of LMSA-Lake Monroe Sailing Association for thirty five years; they sailed in the Great Lakes, the Caribbean, and Lake Monroe. She served on the Board of LMSA during the development of the facilities.

She is survived by three daughters, son-in-laws, eleven grandchildren, and great-grandson survive. Lisa B. Wicker (Roger) of Bardstown, Kentucky. Her children, Rachel Miller (Newman) of Bardstown, KY, Jordan Wicker of Washington DC, Meghan Wicker of Bloomington and great-grandson Porter Miller. Rita

M. Roper-Flynn (Mike) of Bloomington. Her children, Reilly Flynn of Ft. Wayne, L.Cpl. Cullen Flynn of Hawaii, Dillon, Brigid and Fiona Flynn of Bloomington. Cindy Roper-Scott (Mike) of Carmel, Indiana. Her children, Tyler Scott of Bloomington, Haley and Aaron Scott of Carmel.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, William H. Roper whom she married May 2, 1959.

Visitation will be held 4-8 Thursday May 22, 2014 at Allen Funeral Home. Services will be 10am Friday May 23, 2014 at St. Marks United Methodist Church. Burial will follow at Clear Creek Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions can be made to Bloomington Hospital Foundation (Hospice House) P.O. Box 1149 Bloomington, IN 47402.

Allen Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Friends can send condolences to [www.allenfuneralhome.org](http://www.allenfuneralhome.org)

# Tribute Wall

JA

“ My heartfelt condolences to Norma's family, whom she loved very much. She was my mentor and friend during the 17 years I worked with her in Health Services. She always kept things in perspective with her great sense of humor and I am blessed to have known her. God's peace be with you.

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**Jane Hanson** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

KI

“ To the Roper Family, our sincere sympathy on the passing of Norma. She was a very sweet lady. We enjoyed our visits with her when she was visiting Bill at Garden Villa. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Kim Sims and Bob Bruner (Bill's roommate at Garden Villa)

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**Kim Sims** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your lose. Norma was a good friend. She was my boss for many years while I was the Health Aide at TriNorth Middle School. She hired me 2 times. I always enjoyed see her at school or out shopping.  
Your family will be in my prayers.

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**Sherry Deckard** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

JS

“ I was sorry to hear of Norma's passing. I will always remember her as the nurse who was there when I was really having a difficult time after the loss of our baby girl. I will never forget her. She was my angel!

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**Judy Skirvin** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

GK

“ We send our sympathy to you, Rita, and all of the Roper family. This is a very sad loss. Our thoughts are with you.

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**Graeme, Millie and Kate Wilson** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

HO

“ Dear Rita,

*It was with sadness that I read this evening that your Mother had passed away.*

*I also forwarded the notice to Christiane and her family up in Munster. Christiane remembers the (more than a few) times when a visit to the nurse's station at BHSS. Your Mom's kindness was often just the right thing to put her day back on track.*

*Christiane joins me in sending condolences at your loss.*

*The sadness of losing such a wonderful parent is great, but it must also be a great consolation for you all that your Mom had such a loving family around her for so long – and in a beautiful part of the world!*

*I send to you and Mike a big hug at this difficult time.*

*With all best wishes, Howard*

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**Howard Keller** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

PH

“ I am so sorry we will be out of town and unable to attend, but wanted to let Norma's family of the fondness and respect I felt for their mother. Norma was my "boss" for most of my years as an MCCS school nurse. She always treated me with kindness and respect, and was so very proud of her family. I miss seeing her at Red Bud when I visit there. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Phyllis DeStefano** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

CA

“ Norma was a favorite friend of mine. We had several things in common. Both retired RN's, members of the RN Club in Bloomington, both members of St. Mark's United Methodist Church. And both of us possessed a "wicked" sense of humor. I will miss her terribly. She was a fine person and a good friend.

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**Carla Hedges** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

Jl

“ Roper Family, I am very, very sorry for your loss. Norma was an amazing woman.

*In the early years of the HIV/AIDS epidemic, she and I worked to be sure the students of the MCCSC understood the facts and risks of the disease. She also was an active member of the Monroe County AIDS Community Action group.*

*I'm grateful for my friendship with Norma. You all will be in my thoughts and prayers in the days and weeks ahead.*

*Jill Williams (formerly La Fon)*

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**Jill Williams** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

ME

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mrs. Roper's passing. She was always very kind and loving to me at any given moment. Whether I was at school or outside of school, I always felt comfortable in her presence. She will be missed.

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**Melinda Jones** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

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“ Norma will be greatly missed.  
Holding your family up in prayer.  
Edie Henderson and family

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**Edie (McNeely) Henderson** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM

MI

“ Lisa, Rita and Cindy, thinking of all of you. I have fond memories of your Mom. :-)

*Michelle*

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**Michelle Talbot** - October 26, 2015 at 04:05 PM