



Phyllis Dean Carpenter

July 21, 1923 - February 11, 2019

Phyllis Dean Carpenter, 95, of Bloomington, left us to be with our Lord on Monday, February 11, 2019 at Monroe Hospital. She was born on July 21, 1923 in Mitchell, Indiana; the daughter of Cecil and Leona (Hackney) Allspaw.

Phyllis was a school bus driver for 27 years, a job that allowed her to touch the lives of many children. She delighted running into her former students as adults. Phyllis never knew a stranger. She enjoyed visiting with people, those she knew and those she didn't. She loved all of the years she met her friends for breakfast at Wee Willies on South Walnut. Phyllis was one of the hearts of Indiana and one with a pure soul. She was the matriarch of her family, and was active with various activities and singing in the choir through her involvement with Clear Creek Christian Church, a church she had been a member of for many years. She enjoyed sewing, cross-stitching, and crocheting. The greatest passion of Phyllis' life came with her children, grandchildren, and the newest addition, her great-grandson, Liam.

Phyllis is survived by her daughters, Elizabeth Carr of Ft. Wayne, Barbara Carpenter of Bloomington, and Anita Clark of Bloomington; grandchildren, Christopher (Jessica) Carr of New Haven, IN, Jordan (Sean) Meehan of Chicago, and Hayley Carr of Bloomington; great-grandson, Liam Carr (Christopher and Jessica), nieces and nephews, Janice McConnell and John Allspaw both of Florida, Lonnie Johnson of Orleans, and Lisa Reynolds of

Mitchell; sister-in-law, Mary Alice (Lee) Karr of Mitchell.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Earl L. Carpenter, brother John (Juanita) Allspaw, sister Doris (Jim) Metzger and son-in-law Daniel Clark.

A celebration of Phyllis' well lived life full of love will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at Clear Creek Christian Church, 530 West Church Lane. Rev. David Lee will officiate. Burial will follow at Clear Creek Cemetery. Family will receive friends from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington and again from 12:00 p.m. until the time of service on Wednesday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Phyllis' memory to Clear Creek Christian Church, The American Heart Association, or Susan G. Komen for the Cure. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to Phyllis' family at www.allencares.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **19**. 4:00 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>

Visitation

FEB **20**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Clear Creek Christian Church
530 W Church Ln
Bloomington, IN 47403
(812) 824-2566

Service

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Tribute Wall

FF

“ *From Your RW Transport Family purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Yellow and White for the family of Phyllis Dean Carpenter.*



From Your RW Transport Family - February 19, 2019 at 04:07 PM



“ *Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Phyllis Dean Carpenter.*



February 19, 2019 at 01:15 PM

MM

“ *She was a great bus driver! She would honk and wait on me to come out. Other drivers would have just drove off. I usually got n the bus at the corner but when I was on crutches she picked me up and dropped me off at my driveway. She was a special woman!*

Margo Miller - February 19, 2019 at 11:56 AM

TB

“ Chuck and I will be thinking and praying for your family today Liz and wish we could be with you today. Your Mom was so special. She was so kind to us and I loved her humor. It always amazed me she was a school bus driver for all those years. It sure takes a special person to do that.
And it sure did make me smile that she was on Facebook!

Love you always

Chuck and Toni

toni Bair - February 19, 2019 at 08:17 AM

LS

“ Our sincere condolence to you, Liz, your son, Chris, and daughters, Jordan & Hayley, in the passing of your Mom/grandmother/great grandmother! I did not meet your mother in person, but knowing that she raised a wonderful person/daughter in you, she must be a great woman herself! God Bless!
Larry & Tes

Larry & Tes Sanderlin - February 19, 2019 at 01:25 AM

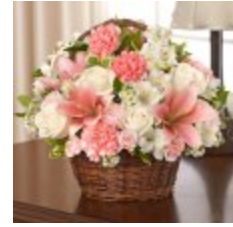
CP

“ Oh, Liz! I so remember your mom driving us kids to school all those years....
And you - always taller & more graceful than the others.
I hope you & your family share many great memories. I wish you peace, love & some laughter as you gather. I wish I could be there.
Love, Curt

Curt Pruitt - February 18, 2019 at 10:30 PM

TF

“ *The Faris family purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Pink and White for the family of Phyllis Dean Carpenter.*



The Faris family - February 18, 2019 at 04:31 PM

MM

“ *Liz, Jordan, Haley and the rest of the family:*

You are all in our thoughts and prayers. We were lucky enough to have shared in some wonderful memories over the past few years with Mimi, from dinners in Indy together to one of the best days' at Jordan and Sean's wedding.



She was full of energy and love for all those around her. We were so lucky to be able to have been touched by her enthusiasm and joy for life and for all those she loved.

She will always be with you in your hearts.

Love Mary and Michael Meehan

Mary Meehan - February 17, 2019 at 08:49 PM

JT

“ *Phyllis was indeed an energetic and kind bus driver who enjoyed the children as much as they favored her! What a legacy! My condolences to her family.*

Janet Tupper

Janet Tupper - February 17, 2019 at 08:43 PM



Ann
Dyson

“ *I never knew Phyllis very well until I sang with her in the choir at Clear Creek. I sat by her at practice and on Sundays, and we laughed so much, and had such fun. I never knew she had such a sense of humor. We had great fun together. I'm glad I had that opportunity. Prayers for all the family.*

Ann (Jones) Dyson

Ann Dyson - February 17, 2019 at 07:13 PM