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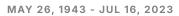
Mrs. Edna Marie Thomas Barbee, age 80, of Newport, passed away Sunday evening, July 16, 2023 at Brookdale Browns Creek Assisted Living in Maryville.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Newport where she was very active in the Heart Menders Knitting and Crocheting Group, and the annual Christmas Bazaar and decorating of the church. She loved gardening and antique shopping. Mrs. Barbee was a former employee of Rich Industries in Midvale, OH for many years and built several friendships during that time. She was a 1961 graduate of Tusky Valley High School in Massillon, OH. Mrs. Barbee also volunteered at local Bread Basket.

She was preceded in death by her husband Ralph Michael Barbee; mother Mae McCreery; step father Marvin McCreery Sr.; mother-in-law Viva Barbee; father-in-law Harold Barbee; brothers Marvin McCreery Jr. and Finley "Bill" McCreery; brother-in-law Dan Knepper; sisters-in-law Phyllis (John) Liberatore; Marjorie Barbee and Ruth Barbee; brothers-in-law Jerry Elliott, Clyde W. (Sandy) Barbee, William E. (Veronica) Barbee, Robert Barbee and Harold (Gladys) Barbee, Survivors include her daughter Diana Marie Harper of Sevierville, TN; son David Michael Barbee of Seattle, WA; grandchildren Brandon Scott Harper (Tiffany Meredith-Breidenbach) of Etna, OH and Vanessa Marie Harper (Ross Ogle) of Pigeon Forge, TN; great-grandchildren Knox Michael Harper, Evan Jacob and Mason William Breidenbach all of Etna, OH, Michael Dodge and Katie Joy Ogle both of Pigeon Forge, TN.; sisters Maxine Elliott of Mineral City, OH and Connie Knepper of East Sparta, OH; brother David McCreery of Mineral City, OH; sisters-in-law Georgia McCreery of Uhrichsville, OH and Judith Barbee of Dover, OH and brother-in-law John C. Barbee of New Philadelphia, OH. Additional survivors include several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends including a lifelong friend Nancy Yoho of Massillon, OH.

The family will host a Celebration of Life Service at 2:00 p.m. Monday, July 31, 2023 at First United Methodist Church in Newport.

Cremation Arrangements entrusted to Costner-Maloy & Brown Funeral Home.





Celebration of Life Service

Monday, July 31, 2023

(L) 2:00 PM ET

First United Methodist Church





David Barbee lit a candle in honor of Edna.

Mom this week marks the final week you were here on earth. Was unable to speak with you when you had your communion and family said their goodbye. I wasn't strong enough for you not knowing if you would remember me or would understand what I was saying. Not a day has gone by that I thought of you being here every day. Until I see you and all our family, I LOVE YOU.



July 7 at 2:14 AM



Elinor Turner posted:

Edna will be missed so much! Will miss her smile and laugh. Good times we had over coffee and Donuts! Rest now Edna and no more pain!! Love to your family, Elinor Turner

July 27 at 4:25 PM



David Barbee lit a candle in honor of Edna.

I would like to thank everyone that was around my mother in her final months.

Having been disabled it was difficult for me to travel back from Spokane WA. I love hearing stories from people about how mom touched so many lives. She ended her life here on earth the same way she lived her life. That was caring for her family and her extended church family assisting where she could and making sure my sister and I were taken care of and loved whole growing up. Letting us to explore our different worlds whether that was church camp in the YMCA or High School Clubs. Rest in Eternal Peace Mom and Welcome Home Back with Dad after all these years. Your Loving Son David

July 26 at 11:09 AM



Connie Knepper posted:

We all lost a great person. She is free now. So sorry for everyones loss.

July 21 at 4:38 AM







Pastor Mark Gross posted:

When Edna came back to Ohio to visit relatives she was always at church at St Paul's Community Church in Mineral City, Ohio with her sister Maxine. I will always remember her smile and her warm and welcoming personality. May God bless the family as they go through this time of sorrow. Thank God for the memories of Edna.

July 20 at 12:42 PM



Duay And Kay O'Neil posted:

How sad to say goodbye to our sweet friend Edna. She was such a delightful addition to our Sunday School class at FUMC and an absolute joy to work with during our bizarre with her sweet smile and happy demeanor. Our sympathy to all, especially her friends Nancy, Judy, and Phyllis in SS. We loved Edna.

July 20 at 9:32 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Edna by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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