



LILLIAN V. PURDUM

January 10, 1930 - December 4, 2023

PURDUM, Lillian V., age 93, of Middletown, Ohio, passed away on Monday, December 4, 2023 at the Hawthorne Glen Senior Living Center. She was born January 10, 1930 in Louisa, Kentucky, the daughter of the late Willie and Sylvia Sexton. Mrs. Purdum was a Registered Nurse since graduating from St. Mary's School of Nursing, in Huntington, West Virginia in 1952. She was employed at Middletown Hospital, Armco Steel (Project 600) and The United Way before retiring in 1992. Preceding her in death were her husband, Charles E. Purdum; son, Michael L. Barry and first husband Richard B. Barry in 1961. She is survived by two sons, Richard B. Barry, Jr. (Vara), and Chris Purdum (Lauren); two daughters, Deborah Zorn (Philip), and Kathy Conwell; eight grandchildren, Jeffrey Zorn, Arianna Barry, Shawn Conwell, Matthew Barry, Caden Purdum, Logan Purdum, Colin Purdum, and Nino Kolyouthapong; two great granddaughters, Emma Zorn and Ami Sakura Kolyouthapong; as well as other extended family and friends. Visitation for family and friends will be Saturday, December 9, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Herr-Riggs Funeral Home, 210 S. Main St., Middletown, followed by Services at 2:00 p.m. with Chaplain Barry Shafor officiating. Interment will be at Woodside Cemetery, Middletown, Ohio. Arrangements by Herr-Riggs Funeral Home, 210 S. Main St., Middletown. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.herr-riggs.com.

Tribute Wall

MC

“ Lil and I met when my family and I moved next door to them on Shartle Street, in 1996. We quickly became friends. We use to sit together on their porch and talk until dark and the mosquitoes started to, as Lil put it, "eat her up". I did not know that she had passed, mainly because my husband was in Hospice and was transitioning. I tried to call her a couple of weeks ago and when she didn't return my call I was afraid she had passed. I was so blessed to have someone like Lil and Charlie as neighbors . I love you Lil . I have told you that many times, and I know that you loved me too. Thank you for all of the advice and words of wisdom over all of those years. By the way, that tree in my front yard that you told me NOT to plant in that spot, but I did., well, I had to have it cut down last year. LOL You will forever be in my heart. I love you so much! Marla Conrad

Marla Conrad - May 31, 2025 at 02:17 AM

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“ I have only known Lillian for less than a year, but she is a very sweet caring loving friend.I met her when I did respite care at Hawthorne Glenn and we were roommates.I was back at Hawthorne in September and October and was definitely blessed to get to spend quiet a bit of time with her.She is already missed..I love you Lillian.

Martha Thomas - December 08, 2023 at 09:11 AM

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“ I had the privilege of being Lillian's social worker at Hawthorn. She was so funny, kind, and genuine. We would laugh amd tease each other in the halls. She was an amazing person. I am blessed for having known her. Rest in peace.❤️

Lori Stanbery - December 07, 2023 at 05:31 PM



“ Care and Compassion Spray was purchased for the family of LILLIAN V. PURDUM.



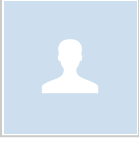
December 07, 2023 at 10:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of LILLIAN V. PURDUM.



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“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of LILLIAN V. PURDUM.



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“ Robert planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of LILLIAN V. PURDUM.

Robert - December 06, 2023 at 05:20 PM