



Avis L. Blum

March 16, 1921 - May 3, 2009

Avis L. Blum, age 88, of Millersburg, Ohio, entered into rest, Sunday morning, May 3, 2009 at Pomerene Memorial Hospital in Millersburg.

It was her wishes for a private family interment which will take place at CrownHill Cemetery in Amherst, OH. at the convenience of the family.

A memorial service will take place 2:00 p.m., Sunday, June 7, 2009 at St. John's United Church of Christ, 136 Main St., Glenmont, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made in lieu of flowers to: Memorial Society of North Central Ohio, 3300 Moorewood Rd. Akron, OH 44333.

Custer-Glenn Funeral Home, 2284 Benden Dr., Wooster, Ohio is in charge of arrangements.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at: www.custerglenn.com.

She was born on March 16, 1921 in Phoenix, Arizona to Gerald "Jay" and Faith E.(Bradley) Locke.

She graduated from the former Dyke Business College in Cleveland; married Robert F. Blum on May 2, 1971 in Willoughby, Ohio. He entered into rest on May 2, 1982.

She began working as a Legal Secretary in Cleveland, Ohio and then Los Angeles, California for many years; a member of St. John's United Church of Christ in Glenmont; member of Business and Professional Women's Club; Purple Passions of Holmes County; belonged to the VFW Auxilliary in Killbuck; Order of Eastern Star; Cleveland Theosophical Society; was the editor of the Spindrift column in the Daily Record for many years; was an artist

and a poet.

After her retirement, she worked for the Ohio State Extension offices in Millersburg.

she is survived by 3 daughters, Faith A. (Robert) Beliveau of Litchfield Twp., Ohio, Mary E. Jolley and Susan K. Braig both of Millersburg; an "almost daughter", Julie Wagner of North Olmstead, Ohio; 2 foster daughters, Jane Stavely of Fort Myers, Florida and Joyce Hauke of Sandusky, Ohio; 3 Grandsons, Jeffry R. (Dixie) Beliveau of Brunswick, Ohio, Eugene C. (Donna) Braig of Columbus, Ohio and Kevin King of China; a step-son, R. Stephen Blum of New York, N.Y.; 3 step-Grandsons, Chuck (Sharie) Jolley and Tim (Tammy) Jolley all of Millersburg and David (Mary) Jolley of Orrville, Ohio; 9 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and loving husband, she is preceded in death by a brother, Jack E. Locke, Grandson, Michael Braig, Sr., Great-Grandson, Michael Braig, Jr. and a son-in-law, Charles C. "Bud" Jolley.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. John's United Church of Christ
136 Main St.
Glenmont, OH

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Sue, Mary and family,

Please accept my sympathies for the death of your mother. I envision Avis as a very gentle, loving, talented and wise woman and mom. I still continue to save a number of the yearbooks she made for the Cake Club and also a calendar she made. How blest I am to have known her.

May the Lord wrap your family in His loving arms and hold you close through the tough days ahead.

God bless you,

Marcia Pichola###imported-begin##*Marcia Pichola*###imported-end##

May 28, 2009 at 11:28 PM



“ You are truly miss granny, You were a major influence to the man i am. My creativity, love to the world and my gentle heart. Thank you so much. Your spirit will live within me, i will miss you truly.###imported-begin##Michael Stavely (grandson)###imported-end##

May 12, 2009 at 02:10 AM



“ I have just learned of Avis' passing. I can't believe I let so much time go by without contacting her, but life is just too busy. At any rate, I want to send my deepest condolences to all of you in her family. May God Bless you all.

Penny Knight###imported-begin##Penny Knight###imported-end##

May 11, 2009 at 08:43 PM



“ I love you Granny. I miss you "Sad Sam."###imported-begin##Kevin King###imported-end##

May 11, 2009 at 06:07 AM



“ Dearest Foster Family,
I love all of you dearly, and the loss is felt with all my children, as we miss this wonderful person who made me what I am today. She was a gift given to me and allowed me to share the love she so freely gave. I am not good at words, so I have found this song called "You Raised Me Up" by Josh Grobin which the words speak as an memorial to my beloved Mother. Love respect and honor is what I hold most dear today.###imported-begin##Jane M. Stavely (Foster Daughter)###imported-end##

May 10, 2009 at 08:03 AM



“ I met Avis in 1971, when what I thought of as my life was in shambles, and to top it off, I, an engineer, was starting to remember past lives and see light around everyone I met. And here was this person, surrounded by pure white light and saying, “You are not alone. This is a shared reality. I also see and sometimes remember. We are fellow travelers.”

My physical travels took me to California and eventually around the world; my spiritual travels took me to saints and eventually to peace. Wherever I journeyed, Avis was beside me in spirit, and for many years her welcoming home in the woods was there for my friends, my children, and me. She was an older sister, happy to hear of my latest discoveries and share her latest insights. In the Ohio woods, Bob walked with me and shared his special knowledge of plants and the peace of the forest; Avis sat with me and shared her special knowledge of oneness and the peace of being.

I woke last Sunday morning to the touch of Avis’s hand on my shoulder, her smile and twinkle were before me as I opened my eyes. The thousands of miles no longer separated us. I am grateful that God sent one of his angels to bless us with her presence. Avis channeled Sephantes in The Voice of The New Age, “Call on me when you will...recognize my answer when it comes, and it will come.” Thank you, Avis, you have always been the answer to my prayers.

“Hibernee”, from the holiday 1975 Voice:

*Cushion me deep in snowdrifts.
Cover me over with sleep.
Lay me down in silence.
Lord, make my slumber deep.*

*White the snowflakes falling;
bleak the wind, and wild;
thick the ice upon my grave;*

warm my dreams, and mild.

*Rouse me in the Springtime
With thunderstorms and sun,
When all of nature sings aloud;
“Waken, sleeper; Life’s begun!”
AVIS###imported-begin##Alan Weiner##imported-end##*

May 09, 2009 at 02:02 PM



“ *Well, Avis, I would guess you can read this from within my heart.
You were the joyous support of us young 'uns in Cleveland as we
tried to find our way.*

*Your deep connection to the Divine Outpouring watered our souls
with Living Nectar. Even the fairy folk loved your company.*

*With gratitude for a life exquisitely lived.###imported-begin##Richard
Page##imported-end##*

May 09, 2009 at 12:55 PM



“ *Our thoughts are with all of you in the loss of your friend and
mother. She was a terrific person, who gave of herself unselfishly.
She will truly be missed by all that have known her.###imported-
begin##Dean and Lorretta Priebe##imported-end##*

May 08, 2009 at 01:08 PM



“ *My love and prayers are with all of Avis family and friends.*

Avis was a most beloved friend of mine and my deceased husband's Paul since 1970 when I first met Avis.

We have been separated by miles for years and now by death. But I know we will be together again in that place that is promised to us by our Lord Jesus Christ.

.##imported-begin##Gerry Ann McCahan##imported-end##

May 07, 2009 at 11:39 PM



“ *My heartfelt sympathy to the family. Avis was a very special person who touched many of us with her contagious smile and wonderful sense of humor. She gave me many moments of laughter to remember her by. May the Lord comfort you during this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Jan Bryden##imported-end##*

May 07, 2009 at 10:05 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God comfort you.##imported-begin##Cory & Wendy Allison##imported-end##*

May 07, 2009 at 09:00 AM



“ Dear Sue and Family, We will be thinking of you all during this time of loss. Avis left a strong legacy, not only with her personal talents but also with the beautiful family she has left behind. Terry so wanted to see her again, and has told me stories of her often. He recently found another of her books which we have added to our library. May God keep you all close to his heart at this time. ##imported-begin##Melanie Sinclair and Terry Cheney##imported-end##

May 06, 2009 at 10:27 PM



“ One of the most unique persons I have ever known. I loved Avis, and my granddaughters loved to visit her home in the country. They ask about her frequently, even though they are grown women now. I loved Avis's library, and would gladly have lived in it. I never thought I would meet anyone who loved books the way I do. I know she is around us and with us and in us, and I know she is happy to be where she is now, not locked into the physical limitations of earth. Plus the added joy of reunion with her beloved brother. My consolation to her family and friends. ##imported-begin##Vivian Ashcraft##imported-end##

May 06, 2009 at 11:18 AM



“ You are in our prayers. We are sorry to hear about your mom. ##imported-begin##john and cheryl moore seville##imported-end##

May 06, 2009 at 09:43 AM



“ I was sorry to hear of Avis's passing. I have known her for many years through various positions I have held in Holmes County. She was a delightful lady to speak with & I will miss our brief ,but meaningful conversations that we had. She was also a very fine artist & one of my many keepsakes is a checkbook cover that she made with her drawings on it.
I will miss her & her lovely smile. May you rest in piece my dear sweet lady. It was a pleasure to have known you.##imported-begin##Chris Gallion##imported-end##

May 05, 2009 at 09:46 PM



“ Avis you were and are a very remarkable woman. I really enjoyed our talks as being your neighbor. You are truely an inspiration to us all. Now you are walking the golden gates of heaven and rejoicing with the angels right beside my mom. Brenda Bowles##imported-begin##Bob and Brenda Bowles##imported-end##

May 05, 2009 at 11:21 AM