



Marilyn Brubaker

March 6, 1931 - June 28, 2013

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our mother, Marilyn Joanne

Brubaker, aged 82, of Orrville. She died peacefully on Friday, June 28th at Wayne

County Care Center after a brief struggle with congestive heart failure. Marilyn was born March 6, 1931, in Ashland, Ohio the daughter of Reverend George H. Sheets

and Ruth Marie Bone.

Marilyn's first marriage to Jay Houtz blessed her with four children. In 1967, Marilyn married Carl Brubaker of Smithville, bringing all their children together to make a "yours, mine and ours" family. Those nine children weren't left idle, that's for sure. Marilyn and Carl owned and ran Brubaker's Restaurant in Smithville

for eight years and nearly every employee was a family member. And those who

weren't, were treated as family.

After Carl's death in 1980, Marilyn went to work for J.M. Smucker's Co. where she

worked until retirement. She made many long-time friends there and the family was

certain to get Smucker's treats on holidays.

After retirement it was spending time with her children, working in the garden

or

enjoying her dogs that brought her great pleasure. Always a hard worker, Marilyn

taught her children the value of work along with the joy of living. Indeed, there were a couple of times in the past couple of years when one of her shocked children

found her climbing ladders to clean gutters on the second floor. Even at 80 years

of age she could sit cross-legged on the ground and rise without any help.

Seeing

her energy, drive and determination it was easy to believe she would outlive everyone. She will be greatly missed by all her children and her extended family.

Marilyn is survived by her brothers, Philip and (wife Cheryl) Sheets, Dunnellon FL;

Ron Sheets, Lexington NC; her son Jay (wife Deanna) Houtz of Wooster; her daughters,

Susan (husband Tom) Snader of Orrville; Joanne (husband David) Albright of Smithville; Jayne (husband Marty) of Keller, TX and Georgeanne Daugherty of Orrville. Her step-daughters (Brubaker's) Debbie (husband Orrville) Hoffman, of

Wilmington, DE; Kathy (husband Harold) Miller, of Belle Glade, FL; Lori (husband

Mark) Doefer, of Lakeville, OH and Cindy (husband Scott) Albright of Wooster, along

with over 20 grand-children and several great-grand children. Preceding her in death are her parents, husband and infant son (Carl Bradley Brubaker).

The family would like to thank Wayne County Care Center for the love and care they

have shown to our mother and family over the last several months. We would also

like to thank the Crossroads Hospice for their compassion and care during this very difficult time.

Marilyn will be laid to rest next to Carl at the Smithville Cemetery. Custer-Glenn

Funeral Home is handling cremation. If you would like to leave a message for the

family you can do so at <http://www.custerglenn.com> choose visitation section.

In regards to Marilyn's wishes there will be no formal service; the family will have a private memorial at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent

in her name to Wayne County Humane Society, Inc., 1161 Mechanicsburg Rd., Wooster, OH 44691.

Tribute Wall



“ You will forever be in my heart, miss you every day! Love you
Granny###imported-begin###candi knowlton###imported-end##

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“ Perhaps they are not
stars in the sky,
but rather openings
where our loved ones
shine down
to let us know they
are happy.###imported-begin###Jayne###imported-end##

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“ Marilyn taught us all that age ia but a number in the journey called
life. She was a spark, a tiny little light that flickered until the very
end. She lived life and metaphorically danced as if no one was
watching. She shocked a few...surprised a few (myself included)
and was secretly envied by many. She taught me that under
garments were optional and silk lounging attire was the only way to
go. She was a classy little lady. I will miss what she could have
taught me. My best to all her family in the very sad time.###imported-
begin###Jan Miller###imported-end##

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“ You will always be in my heart. Miss you Mom!###imported-
begin###Lori Doerfer###imported-end##

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“ With a sunrise, there is also a sunset, but the journey doesn't end. Marilyn is now on that peaceful journey.##imported-begin##Aunt Jean & Uncle Fred##imported-end##

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“ You will always be in our hearts##imported-begin##Cindy and Scott Albright ##imported-end##

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“ I love and miss you Gramma! May your eternal light shine!##imported-begin##Jason Andrew Houtz##imported-end##

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“ Missing you so much Grandma! I love you and will never forget all the wonderful memories with you!##imported-begin##Jenna Houtz##imported-end##

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“ You'll be missed everyday##imported-begin##Jay and Deanna Houtz##imported-end##

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