



Dona J. Roberts

November 6, 1935 - December 30, 2022

ADRIAN - Dona J. (Humphrey, Schaffner) Roberts, 87 of Adrian Michigan died December 30, 2022 at the Hospice of Lenawee Home. Dona was born November 6, 1935, at the home of her parents, Donald B Humphrey, and Leona H. (Goodwin) Humphrey in Ashtabula Ohio. She graduated from Ashtabula High School in 1953 and earned her Bachelor of Science Degree from The Ohio State University, School of Home Economics College of Agriculture in 1957. Dona earned her Master of Arts of Teaching from Siena Heights University in 1967. Dona was a lifelong student and educator, she also attended classes at The University of Toledo, Michigan State University and Hillsdale College.

Dona was employed by the Ohio State University as a Home Economics Extension Agent in Medina County where she met and married Richard G Schaffner. The couple moved to Morenci Michigan in 1961 where they farmed, taught school, and raised their three children. The family was active in the community and at Trinity Lutheran church. Dona taught fourth grade in Morenci for 17 years before she accepted a position as the Home Economics/4-H Youth Development Extension Agent for Defiance County Ohio. Dona had a special interest in 4-H international programs and facilitated the placement of many Costa Rican exchange students during her time in Defiance. She transferred to Holmes County in 1995 where she worked as a 4-H Youth Development Educator until her retirement in 2004. In 2002, Dona was recognized for outstanding work with youth by the National Association of

Extension 4-H Agents.

Dona married John G Roberts on 2/14/2004 after a whirlwind romance. They travelled and pursued shared interests until his death in 2013. Dona and John were members of Grace Brethren Church in Wooster. Her faith and community service were a strong influence on many who crossed her path.

Dona will be missed by her children James (Tara) Schaffner of Monterey, TN, David (Erin) Schaffner of Dover, OH and Sarah (Doug) Schrock of Zone, OH, grandchildren James A Schaffner, Abigail (Brenden) Beard, Eric (Chelsea) Schaffner, Andrew Schaffner, Nicholas (Grace)Schaffner, Jaiden Corley, Katherine (Klein) Gnagey, Hannah (David) Weiss, Ian Schrock and 2 great granddaughters. She is also survived by her brothers Douglas (Mary Jane), Cordell, and Richard (Elaine) Humphrey; stepchildren Pam (Jim) Fulton, Phillip (Rita) Roberts, Steve (Karen) Roberts, Aleta (Ed) Griffie and step-grandchildren Dakota, Zane, Gabriella, Ezekiel, James, Destiny, Orion, Starla, Lydia, and Evan as well as numerous in-laws, nieces, and nephews.

Dona was preceded in death by her husband John, her parents and sister La Jean.

Following Dona's wishes, cremation will take place with no formal services at this time.

Interment will be at Sherwood Memorial Gardens Wooster, Ohio in May of 2023.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Defiance County 4-H Endowment <https://defiance.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/defiance-county-4-h-endowment>

Hospice of Lenawee <https://www.hospiceoflenawee.org/donate.php> or the educational charity of your choice.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian where online condolences and memories may be shared.

Tribute Wall



“ *Dona J. Roberts*

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“ *One of my fondest memories of Dona was when we went to sewing classes and made bed quilts. She was a very creative person and had shared many fun times while she lived in Wooster. Thanks for the memories. Sandra*

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