



Barbara Bonnie Smith

December 17, 1937 - November 28, 2024

Barbara “Bonnie” G. Smith, age 86, of Worthington passed away peacefully on Nov. 28 in Columbus. Bonnie was born in Stratford, CT, daughter of Ralph Goodsell and Irene Scribner. She graduated from Stratford High School in 1955 and married William “Bill” E. Smith 2 years later. Bonnie and Bill moved to Worthington in 1962 where they raised their two sons and were married for 67 years.

For several years, Bonnie and Bill were advisors for a group of high school-age members of the Worthington Presbyterian Church called the Senior High Fellowship. Bonnie took turns driving the church bus on workcamp trips all over the U.S. and Canada.

Bonnie was a valued employee of the Giftland gift shop in the Graceland Shopping Center for many years. Later, she worked as a secretary for the minister of the United Methodist Church in downtown Columbus.

Bonnie was a folk-artist and was known in the 60s and 70s for her “Bonnie Plaques,” small found-wooden pieces or used slate shingles with paintings of flowers in vases that were sold in gift shops. She also painted scenes of life and landscapes throughout her life which she sold in galleries as part of the Dublin Art League.

Bonnie is survived by her husband Bill, her sons Jeff and Randy and her sister Constance "Connie" Barrett.

The funeral service will be held on Jan. 13, 2025, at 11 am at the Worthington Presbyterian Church, 773 High St, Worthington, OH 43085.

In leu of flowers donation can be made to St. Jude in Barbara's name. https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html?sl=donate-now&sc_dcm=58700008005633804&sc_cid=kwp&ds_rl=1290690&ds_rl=1285465&ds_rl=1291300&gad_source=1&gclid=Cj0KCQiA4fi7BhC5ARIsAEV1YiYudUQzbu9Vc_atLNklx8_oGE67YjAIDBJUCaaXRbPUhjaVYu8xljYaAg0tEALw_wcB&gclsrc=aw.ds

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Worthington Presbyterian Church
773 High Street
Worthington, OH 43085

Tribute Wall

BR

“ Bill and family, I am just learning of Bonnie's passing and I just had to send my love and condolences. I have the best memories of Bonnie and me working at the Maple Lee Flower Shop in Worthington. We had so much fun arranging flowers, selling gifts but most of all laughing and having a good time at work. It never felt like work when Bonnie and I were out front selling flowers and gifts. I'll always remember those days for the rest of my life. She was a funny, talented, thoughtful human being.

brie - September 09, 2025 at 03:57 PM

WW

“ Bill, Jeff, Randy, I am so sorry Bonnie is gone. What fun memories I have of the summer trips we took together. That group of people, Bill J, Tom & Norma, Bill & Ruth, Bill & Bonnie and I were a tight group. I remember how fun it was to see everyone again when I returned to Columbus several years ago. Rest In peace Bonnie.

Bill Wyman

william wyman - December 12, 2024 at 03:07 PM

AS

“ Bill and family, I am so sorry to hear of Bonnie's passing. She - and you - meant so much to me when I was in high school when you guys were our fellowship leaders. Thank you so much for sharing your home, your family, and your wisdom with all of us! I am so glad that we got to see you and Bonnie in June at our reunion - tears come to my eyes thinking about how wonderful it was to spend some time with you. You and Bonnie set me on the right path, and I will never forget either of you. You guys can be very proud of the legacy you created with a group of high schoolers who went on to have successful careers and have wonderful lives. Please know that you and Bonnie live on in the hearts of those you touched.

Anne Berry Strait - December 11, 2024 at 10:24 AM

JB

Anne Berry, I couldn't have said it better. So I won't. We will always love you Bonnie and Bill. We were the lucky ones.

Jill Bogart - December 12, 2024 at 01:27 PM

JB

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Jill Bogart - December 12, 2024 at 01:29 PM