



## Bette Ellen (Repasky) Sheldrick

February 27, 1942 - April 2, 2023

Bette Ellen (Repasky) Sheldrick passed away at home on Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023 after a short battle with pancreatic cancer. Bette was born February 27, 1942 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Michael and Georgia (Huber) Repasky. She grew up in Pennsylvania, graduating from Gateway High School in Monroeville and Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh with a BFA, before moving to Ohio.

Bette will be remembered for her love of family and community. Bette was involved in her children's lives, going to every parent/teacher conference and every sporting and musical event. She continued this support through her six grandchildren's lives and myriad activities. She volunteered her time and artistic talents throughout the years with her local church, Girl Scouts, and Common Ground Free Store Ministries. After retiring from the Columbus Public Library, she enjoyed going on mission trips with members of Powell UMC and West Broadway UMC to help rehab houses damaged by storms and floods, visiting states such as Texas, New Jersey, West Virginia, Florida, Louisiana, and Kentucky.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years (Joe), her sister (Susan), her children and their spouses (Amy, Michael and Stephanie, David and Amy), her grandchildren (Luke, Jon, Kaitlyn, Jack, Henry, and Grace Bette), as well as nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life ceremony will be held at Powell United Methodist Church, 825 East Olentangy Street, Powell, Ohio 43065 on Saturday, April 29th at 11:00 am. There will be a live link at [www.powellumc.org/sheldrick](http://www.powellumc.org/sheldrick). A reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her name at [www.commongroundfreestore.org/give-now](http://www.commongroundfreestore.org/give-now).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Powell United Methodist Church  
825 East Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
<http://www.powellumc.org/>

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ *Bette was a shining light and a huge inspiration to our North Broadway UMC ERT team! We were so touched by her beautiful spirit, her enthusiasm and willingness to try new things, and her incredible smile. She had a way of making everyone feel special and valued. She will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate enough to work by her side. Thanks be to God for the gift of knowing Bette Sheldrick!*

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**Mariann Brush** - April 28, 2023 at 03:12 PM

BP

“ *I think I spent a third of my childhood running the Sheldrick's property. They were like my second parents. Bette always had a smile for you, even if you were in trouble. She was co-leader of our girl scout troop, so we all spent many days and weeks doing great adventures together. She will be so missed by everyone who's lives she touched.*

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**Barbara Phillips** - April 26, 2023 at 08:45 PM

BH

*I'm the other co-leader of Amy and Barb's Girl Scout troop. Oh, the fun adventures Bette and I had with those young teen girls, especially on a 3-week camping trip to Wyoming in 1985. Bette kept me sane, as things went wrong with our Suburban, packed with gear for 5 thirteen year old girls and 2 adults! She and I also had lots of adventures here in central Florida in the winters. Birding, hiking, volunteering at Trout Lake Nature Center. That wonderful spirit got us through lots together. I will really miss Bette. Bev Harper*

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**Bev Harper** - April 29, 2023 at 01:12 PM

CH

“ I still remember the time Bette was picking up her children from Girl Scout Day Camp. Evidently the boys unit had had an all out mud bath in the creek. Rather than get upside, she simply said to her son, "And whose car are you riding home in? I was not yet a mother, but she showed me how to acknowledge an issue, but treat it with a sense of humor.

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**Cheryl H.** - April 04, 2023 at 07:08 PM