



## Frances Laura Bossert Gilbert

June 14, 1921 - December 1, 2015

Frances Laura Bossert Gilbert, 94, died peacefully Tuesday, Dec 1, 2015 at home in Delaware, Ohio. Born June 14, 1921 in Brookville, Indiana to the late Michael Bossert, Superintendent of Schools, Franklin County Indiana and Laura (Wolber) Bossert, schoolteacher. Frances enjoyed growing up in southern Indiana on the family farm with her brother, Robert Bossert and sister, Ruth Uebel who also preceded her in death as did their spouses Lucille Bossert and Martin Uebel. Frances graduated Capital University in Biology and taught in Coshocton, Ohio before raising her family in Worthington, Rocky River, Kenton and Delaware, Ohio. She served her communities in many capacities including PTA, Stephens Ministry and as Senior Warden at St John's Episcopal Church. Her annual Lenten practice was wearing a cross every day. Later in life, she worked for Richardson-Smith, now Fitch, and shared her home with interns and new associates at the firm who needed a place to live. She loved making friends young and old, literature, games including bridge, art, nature and most of all family. She is survived by her children Anne Gilbert (Peter Lefcourt), John Gilbert (Nancy Bergquist Gilbert), Jane Gilbert Sindel (Douglas) and Adam Gilbert (Camille Smith Gilbert); grandchildren, Molly, Natalie, Nathan, Eleanor and Mark; nephews, David (Judy) Uebel and Mark (Dawn) Uebel as well as great nieces and nephews and many dear friends. Also preceded in death by beloved niece Myrna Bossert Noble. Visitation 4 – 7 PM Sunday, December 6, 2015 at RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High St, Worthington, Ohio.

Services at St. John's Episcopal Church, 700 High St, Worthington, Monday, Dec 7, 10 am with The Reverend Philip College officiating. Graveside service and burial to follow at Trinity Lutheran Church, 4025 Highland Center Rd. Klemmes Corner, Indiana 47012. Contributions may be made to [gifts@capital.edu](mailto:gifts@capital.edu). Condolences may be sent to [www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com](http://www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Trinity Lutheran Church Cemetery

4025 Highland Center Rd.  
Klemmes Corner, IN 47012

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

DEC 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home  
515 High Street  
Worthington, OH 43085  
(614) 885-4006  
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## Funeral Service

DEC 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. John's Episcopal Church  
Worthington, OH

# Tribute Wall



“ *Frances Laura Bossert Gilbert*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM

“ I learned today that Fran passed away. Many loving vibes to all her family, and much gratitude for how she lived her life! She was a dear friend and will be missed. I'm feeling the fullness and length of her life, my heart swells with the fullness of memories of her, and my time living in her homey farm house in Worthington, Ohio, in 1990. It was during my very first college design internship, at Fitch Richardson/Smith. She took in interns for a low cost, providing them with a nearby accommodation, blessed with her support, and she clearly savored their company too, staying in touch with many after they moved on. She was very spirited, with a wicked sense of humor, and young at heart in many ways. My memories of those times are charmed. We would often play crossword puzzles together after dinner. She had a great passion for it, and inspired the same interest in me. She was far sharper at it than me, and could nail a NYT puzzle. We would watch movies together too upstairs on her old skool floor model tv. / As an old design colleague said best "she showed so many of us how to live." She was a tough cookie at times, providing a disciplining nature at times, which I still needed when it came to sharing the load of house chores, combined with a strong nurturance. She made THE BEST bread pudding, and would often make it for me. I believe it was the birth of my love for it, and I still note it as my favorite dessert. / I have vivid memories of getting dozens of classic music LPs from the local library and listening to them in the midst of a big Ohio snow storm. Her old farm house had so much charm, and many beautiful vantage points out of the windows to the billowing white stuff outside. She had a heating blanket in my room as well, so once Mozart's "Coronation Mass" was playing, and the blanket was on, I was set (all basic needs met, and then some)! We would sometimes sit in her living room, and one of us would tinker on the old piano, which resonated nicely throughout the house. / I'm sad we never had a goodbye, or closure together, but am grateful for all the spirited and intimate Christmas and other letters we shared annually, and will always cherish them as scrapbook essentials. / I'll never forget the photo she had hanging in her kitchen of her doing a skinny dipping dive in a watering hole, perhaps in her '50s. That's

*one cool chick! An inspiration to me. Fly on Fran! – Paul Ziller*

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**Paul Ziller** - January 27, 2016 at 09:47 PM

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“ Uebel Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Frances Laura Bossert Gilbert.




**Uebel Family** - December 04, 2015 at 08:55 PM



“ With Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Frances Laura Bossert Gilbert.



December 04, 2015 at 01:33 PM

 Darin  
Beach

“ Hello to all of you guys and gals,  
We are thinking so much of you and Aunt Fran, so many memories, impossible to bring them all to mind, just too many to imagine them all. What a great person, so wise, thoughtful, she had "mindfulness" down way before it became a "thing"! So we can add "ahead of her time" to the list. She gave me a wooden hammer when I graduated from OSU with a metal head shaped like a little wooden log, unique and mysterious, I have it on the entry table right as I go out of the house, I see it every single day! Its been there for the last 25 years, even when we moved to another apartment or house, that is some kind of sign that she has always been with me ever since I came to Europe. Not to mention that there may still be some of my things in the old barn on Olentangy, moved everything in there after graduation, but that is another story! We are sad, she had a good life, 94 years is what I am looking forward to as well, hope to live up to her, but that will be difficult. All our love to all of you, really wish I could be there, but just cant work it out so quickly but my heart and soul are with you all, I can tell you that.  
Love you all so,  
Darin, Carole, Winona and Kaitlin Beach, Geveze, France(s)

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**Darin Beach** - December 04, 2015 at 12:26 PM

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“ We are sorry that we will not be with you at this important time. Judy and I will be thinking of you and all the wonderful memories of Aunt Fran Monday.

With deepest sympathies,  
David and Judy Uebel

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**David and Judy Uebel** - December 04, 2015 at 04:15 AM