



Katherine "Kay" Dukes

December 25, 1925 - April 11, 2017

Katherine "Kay" Louise (Schaller) Dukes, age 91, of Worthington, Ohio, passed away Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at Sunrise Senior Living of Worthington Reminiscence (Alzheimer's) Home. Kay was born to the late Herman W. and Florence K. (Wirtz) Schaller on December 25, 1925 in Mansfield, Ohio. With an early strong interest in music, she was the pianist in her high school orchestras, accompanied other instrumentalists and vocalists and sang in several choirs. At Bowling Green State University, she was active in the Kappa Delta Sorority, Phi Alpha Chi accounting fraternity, and the school newspaper and yearbook. She received her degree in business accounting. In 1953 Kay married John "Jack" R. Dukes of Findlay, Ohio. She applied her degree at Isaly Dairy Co. in Mansfield, Central Millinery Co. in Columbus, Colorado College in Colorado Springs, and several small companies in Worthington, Ohio. After being a stay-at-home mom for their two children, she spent two years operating a motel in Findlay Ohio for which she was a director and the Secretary of the firm. She also worked part-time for many years with the Ackerman Credit Union in Columbus. Her volunteer work included being the Treasurer for many years, as well as serving as Shop Manager, Vice President and President at various times for the Worthington Thrift Shop, a cancer charity organization. She enjoyed numerous overseas business trips and personal travel with her husband, and was a charter member of the Worthington Songsters that formed in 1973 and also sang with the Worthington Ladies of Note, and The Harmonaires. Kay is preceded in death

by her parents, Florence K. and Herman W. Schaller, her brother Louis Schaller and grandson Clayton. She is survived by her husband John "Jack" R. Dukes, children Suzanne "Susie" L. McClain (Dennis), David A. Dukes (Kathy), grandchildren Alec J. and Andrew J. Dukes. A visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 from 10:30 am until 12:30 pm at Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, 515 High St. Worthington. A service will be held at 12:30 pm on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at the funeral home with interment to follow at Union Cemetery. Condolences to the family can be made at www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery

3349 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, OH 43202
(614) 267-5471

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Katherine "Kay" Dukes*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *I remember working with Kay in the AccuRay Credit Union over a lot of years. Being with her at the Geezer Fests brought back lots of good memories. She will be missed.*

Bob Byrd - April 19, 2017 at 07:56 AM



“ *Love and prayers David and Nina Ballard purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Katherine "Kay" Dukes.*



Love and prayers David and Nina Ballard - April 18, 2017 at 10:26 AM



“ *Dear Dave and Kathy,
We were so saddened to hear of your mom's passing. We know how hard this is for the family, but have comfort knowing that she is in a better place where there is no pain. Your dad did such an amazing job of taking care of her for so long which is such a strong testament of his love for her. You will always find peace in all the good memories of your dear mom.*

*All our love
David and Nina*

Nina Ballard - April 18, 2017 at 09:21 AM

MI

“ Dave, So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Please know that Jackie and I have you, Kathy and your entire family in our prayers at this time. Love & Prayers, Michael, Jackie, Olivia, Gabrielle, Joseph, and Elijah.

Michael - April 17, 2017 at 10:49 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Katherine "Kay" Dukes.



April 17, 2017 at 02:57 PM

DM

“ Jack:
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of loss.

*Best Regards,
Don & Jeanne Mank*

Donald Mank - April 17, 2017 at 10:33 AM

JS

“ Jack, I am so sorry to hear of Katherine's passing. I know she will be greatly missed. Please accept my sincere condolences.

Jeannie Schneider

J. Schneider - April 17, 2017 at 09:55 AM

BF

“ Good morning Dave,, So sorry to hear of the loss of your Mother. Wow, she sure had a lot of accomplishment in her lifetime, that is impressive. Read Matthew 5:4, maybe this will give some comfort to you and your family, My blessings to all of you.

Bruce C. Frazier

Bruce C. Frazier - April 17, 2017 at 06:33 AM

TH

“ The Dulls, Ashley Vaughn, the Covells, Jane Hertel purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Katherine "Kay" Dukes.



The Dulls, Ashley Vaughn, the Covells, Jane Hertel - April 15, 2017 at 05:18 PM

AB

“ Jack and family, it was so sad that you had to send this news. You have my sincere condolences and Kay and all of you will be in my prayers.

Al Brehl - April 15, 2017 at 01:30 PM

MG

“ Jack and your family we were wanting to let you know we are thinking of you. We enjoyed knowing you and Kay through Silver Sneakers. We enjoy your being so involved and keeping us informed of what is going on. May you be at peace.

Mary Ann and Bob Guy - April 14, 2017 at 01:46 PM

MM

“ Kay was always sweet and kind. I enjoyed time with her when Kay & Jack would visit Susie & Denny in Kansas City. I am sad that she is gone. Mike McClain

Michael McClain - April 14, 2017 at 12:53 PM



“ Glorious Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Katherine "Kay" Dukes.



April 14, 2017 at 12:50 PM

DS

“ May she rest in peace.
Dan Shea

Dan Shea - April 14, 2017 at 11:21 AM

BM

“ Kay will be missed. She was a loving mother and friend. I am glad to get to know her over the years. My prayers are with the family.

Brian Mills

Brian Mills - April 14, 2017 at 11:21 AM

CB

“ Mrs. Dukes was always so congenial, warm and welcoming Chuck and I into their home when we would visit from Kansas City. A beautiful woman with a kind heart. God Bless her Family, is my prayer.

Cheryl Blanton - April 14, 2017 at 10:07 AM

TG

“ Jack,

Shirley and I are very sorry for your loss.

Trent Garverick

Trent Garverick - April 13, 2017 at 07:48 PM

CS

“ *Having made acquaintance with Kay at a couple of Geezerfest meetings, we were pleased to find that Jack and Kay were much involved in business in Nancy's home town. She was a lovely lady and will be sorely missed.*

Sympathy and condolences from Carl and Nancy Snyder

Carl Snyder - April 13, 2017 at 03:16 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Katherine "Kay" Dukes.*



April 13, 2017 at 02:11 PM

CT

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss today. Our prayers are with you and all the family during this time.*

Chuck and Theresa Total

Chuck Total - April 13, 2017 at 12:24 PM

DK

“ *My sincere condolences on the loss of beautiful Kay. I have many happy memories of Kay and Jack over my almost 30 years of association through ABB . My prayers are with all the family.*

Doris Kramer - April 13, 2017 at 12:05 PM