



Barbara A. Calkins Nagucki

November 1, 1937 - December 26, 2014

Barbara A. Calkins Nagucki, age 77, went to be with the Lord on December 26, 2014 from complications of advanced dementia at the Lakes of Monclova, Maumee, OH. She was born to Leroy Francis and Florence Marie (Early) Calkins on November 1, 1937 in Toledo, OH.

She attended St Theresa's elementary school and graduated in 1951. She attended the Ursuline convent as a prep for her initial high school experience, upon graduation from grade school in 1951 for one semester. Then Barbara attended Whitney Vocational high school, and graduated in 1955. She enjoyed cooking, art, home making, and sewing classes. Barbara married Ronald Nagucki on Nov. 5, 1955.

Barbara had twins, Ronald and Susan in 1957, and then a daughter, Sharon in 1959. Barbara became involved in the Mothers of Twins club in a variety of leadership roles until 2013.

After her children were grown, Barbara returned to school and graduated in 1984 with an associate's degree in Business Management Technology at the former Scott Park Campus Community Technical College of the University of Toledo. Barbara also graduated with an Associate's degree in Nursing from Owens Community college in 1988.

After graduation from 1988 until 2009, she worked as an RN at Toledo Hospital, for a family practice physician's office, various nursing homes in the Toledo area, served as the office manager at Creative Interior Services, her

son, Ron's company, and worked at another company for a brief period of time doing medical examinations.

Barbara was adventurous and loved outdoor and indoor activities. She won a Bowling League trophy for the 1980-81 season for the highest game of 246. She loved to travel, and enjoyed much of it with her family, the Twins club, and friends. She especially loved visiting Vienna, but also enjoyed Florida and Hawaii, and her summer cottages at Lake Seneca in Ohio. On a trip she made in 2008 with her daughter and daughter-in-law to Pennsylvania, Susan remembers her standing next to one of the monuments, and exclaiming about how wonderful it was to be standing on such sacred ground. Barbara appreciated so many things in life that others oftentimes took for granted. She loved history and loved God, her family, her church, her friends, and her country. She also was proud of her own Polish/German/French/Irish heritage and the Polish heritage of her husband. She was a wonderful cook and excelled in making not only American dishes, but Polish and Italian dishes as well. She was giving and encouraging to others as well. Her goal always seemed to be to make others feel very good about themselves and their own accomplishments.

She will be remembered by her family, friends, and Twins Club members as loving life, enjoying music and acting out dramas and skits to the fullest. She was energetic, sociable, and fun loving woman!

Barbara was involved in both State and local leadership of the Mothers of Twins club. She was OFMOTC President 1994-1996, and the only TMOTC President that has ever served 3 times in the club's history. She was TMOTC's Mother Of The Year 1994.

She was also active on the National level of the Mothers of Twins club. She joined TMOTC in 1971. Prior to this she belonged to Maumee Valley Mothers of Twins club.

Barbara and another TMOTC member, Marcia Bohnsack revised the "No Two Alike" book which was a book dedicated to the survival and support of mothers of multiples filled with facts, advice, and helpful hints. The book was

distributed to OFMOTC members throughout all of Ohio and also is found in some libraries. An STNA who cared for Barbara in her home stated that the book was also being used as part of requisite in an elective course being taken for one of the nursing programs at the University of Toledo. Both Barb and Marcia were nurses with the experience necessary to write such a helpful book for new mothers of twins.

A friend stated, "Barb always encouraged members and made new members feel very welcome. When you talked to Barb she made you feel like she cared so much about you. She always was positive and very sincere with a great sense of humor. She was such an intelligent person and it is so sad the Alzheimer's stole that from her. She is truly loved by many TMOTC members." Barb Nagucki was a highly honored Member who has helped in so many areas of the Club's growth and development over the years such newspaper publication, governance, event and banquets productions, conventions involvement, mentoring, and counseling programs.

Barbara lived in the Toledo area most of her life, which included Perrysburg from 2010-2013 and Maumee 2013 until she passed away. She lived briefly in northern Michigan as well in the 1990's where she enjoyed many outdoor activities like canoeing, fishing, and hiking.

She was an excellent seamstress and taught sewing classes for a period of time at the Singer Sewing Center in Toledo.

Not only was she a great mom, teacher, and friend, but also a wonderful grandmother. She was the kind of grandma who was always available to babysit at a moment's notice, and yet who invited her grandkids over for art projects, Christmas cookie baking, and sewing projects to hand out as gifts for others. She started her own greeting card business and included each of her grandkids as partners in it. She created detailed photo calendars yearly for several family members as gifts, on her computer which she worked hard to master and she used regularly.

She wrote skits for her grandkids to star in and perform and researched

hundreds of hours for her genealogy book that was completed in 1988 on our family roots that dates back to the 1600s, and which is presently located in at least two libraries in the US.

In the 1990's she wrote a fictionalized version of her own autobiography, called Sea of Singles, which has not yet been published. From involvement at St. Patrick's of Heatherdowns school and church over the years, to Girls Scouts and Cub Scouts...Barbara's fingerprints were on several support groups and community outreach organizations in the Toledo area.

A friend stated that: "As for me, she was a great support when I was going through a stressful divorce. She took me to her Divorce/Separated Catholics group and helped me through this tough time."

From 2008-2013 Barbara later became a regular attendee with her daughter, at Calvary Assembly of God church where she developed many valuable friendships and attended several ladies' events.

Barbara is survived by her loving children, twins, Ronald M. (Marcia) Nagucki and Susan M. (Gary) Bucher and daughter, Sharon L. (Eric) Schaller; 10 grandchildren, Jaime (Ryan) Voegeli, Ronald Nagucki, Jr., Amy (Christopher) Abele, Michael Nagucki, Sarah Bucher, Aaron (Kaela) Nagucki, Brad (Dani) Bucher, Brett (Sarah) Bucher, Jessica Schaller and Erik (Veronica) Nagucki; 8 great-grandchildren, Lauren, Leanna and James Voegeli, Ashton, Aven and Noah Nagucki, Weston and Lanie Bucher; sister, Karen Lee Trombley and friend/ former husband, Ronald R. Nagucki.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Leroy Francis and Florence Marie (Early) Calkins and brother, Michael Arthur Calkins.

Memorials may take the form of contributions to Calvary Assembly of God Church, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Gentiva Hospice or to the charity of the donor's choice. Thank you to all of the family members, friends, Gentiva Hospice, the Legacy team at the

Lakes of Monclova and their health care workers, who have loved and cared for Barbara over the last several years, and all who have taken time out of

their daily lives to spend time with her during this long journey.

We celebrate Barbara's life as well as her home going and know that she is whole now, as she now lives in her new home with her Heavenly Father, and other family and friends who have gone before her. Barbara will be sorely missed by all who loved her. Yet, we can know beyond a shadow of a doubt that those of us who know and love Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord, will be with her again in eternity someday.

"In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him (Jesus Christ) who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:37-39, NIV).

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2224 Dorr St.
Toledo, OH 43607

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614
(419) 865-1295
<https://www.coylefuneralhome.com>

Funeral

JAN 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church
2255 Central Grove
Toledo, OH 43614

Tribute Wall

MM

“ *Mary Malosh lit a candle in memory of Barbara A. Calkins Nagucki*



Mary Malosh - January 10, 2015 at 03:44 PM

MM

Barb was such a wonderful person. She inspired you to be the best and encouraged you to try new things. She will be missed.

Mary Malosh - January 10, 2015 at 03:48 PM

MN

I miss you Grandma.

mike nagucki - January 22 at 09:39 PM

JE

“ *Sharon, Your keepsake is a lifetime of beautiful memories! These tributes are so heartfelt. How loved your Mom was!*

Jean

Jean Elkins - December 31, 2014 at 10:47 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Calkins Nagucki.*



December 31, 2014 at 06:17 AM



“ *Fruit Abounds was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Calkins Nagucki.*



December 30, 2014 at 03:28 AM



“ *Ron, Susan and Sharon,*

What moves through us is a silence, a quiet sadness, a longing for one more day, one more word, one more touch. You will begin to remember not just that your mom died, but that she lived and that her life gave you memories too beautiful to forget.

Each breeze you feel brings love and a kiss from your mom.

May there be comfort in knowing that someone so special will never be forgotten.

Carol Young (Sandy's sister)

Fort Myers, Florida

Carol Young - December 29, 2014 at 09:44 PM

DS

“ Ron, Susan and Sharon,

The news Dad and I received Friday afternoon, about the loss of your wonderful mother, although expected, made us feel very sad for you children. Your mother was the kindest and gentlest woman I have ever met. Your mom was a beautiful person, inside and out, and she will be sorely missed. I feel so fortunate to have known her and was a privilege to call her a friend.

I think that the loss of one's mother is by far the saddest event of anyone's lifetime. There is just no other loss that measure's up to this one. She was such a sweet and kind lady and I will always remember her for that beautiful smile that she always displayed. I always admired her tireless energy- nothing ever seemed to slow her down. I think your mother's greatest legacy will be in the wonderful children she raised. She was so very proud of you all. Dad and I will miss the visits with her over the years. I hope that you will find the inner strength to get you through this sad and difficult time. knowing your mom as we did, we know that she wouldn't want us sitting around grieving but rather celebrating the wonderful life she led. We join in with everyone who knew your mom in wishing you peace and comfort as you face this very sad time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your wonderful family.

*We pray that in this time of loss,
You'll feel God's love much more
And that you'll find your comfort
In the presence of the Lord
We pray God pours upon you,
His sweet amazing grace
And overflow your heart with peace
As you live in His embrace
You have our very deepest and sincere sympathy.*

*Dad and Sandy
Fort Myers, Florida*

Dad and Sandy - December 29, 2014 at 06:45 PM

SB

“ Mom, you were the greatest Mom and Grandma in the whole world! You touched so many lives here at home, in our community, all over the United States, and especially in northwest Ohio and Michigan. We love and miss you so much! You wore so many hats, and always kept busy and enjoyed life, family, friends, and people in general. You were not only a great Mom, grandma, and great grandma...but you were a friend, a leader, a mentor, a teacher, a nurse, an author, a seamstress, a worshiper, a comedienne, a business woman, an artist, a poet, a traveler, a dancer, an adventure seeker...and so much more! Heaven is so much richer because you are there, and I am sure you are enjoying a cup of coffee with all the other saints right now...or basking in the presence of your Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Oh how, you loved to sing worship songs in church, and you loved the Bible and asked for it to be read to you in your last days on earth. Words cannot express our love for you and our emptiness without you...but we who love The Lord as you did, will see you again someday! Eternity is a lot longer than our time on earth, so we look forward to that time when we meet Jesus face to face and see you right near His side. Death is swallowed up in victory, the Bible says...and now after your long journey with dementia, you have finally attained victory, peace, healing, and completeness. You fought the good fight and have attained the goal in Christ Jesus, and I am sure your crowns will be many. We love you and praise God that you were our mom and will be with you sooner than we know. To God be the glory! For precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. Psalm 116:15. And you, dear Mom, are definitely one of His saints! Love Always, Susan

Susan Nagucki Bucher - December 29, 2014 at 04:17 PM