



Ruth A. Drake

September 25, 1920 - November 15, 2013

Ruth Agnes (Dusseau) Burnett Drake 93, died peacefully in her Toledo home Friday morning. Ruth was born to Loretta and Cornelius Dusseau September 25, 1920.

Ruth was a graduate of Central High School and St. Vincent School of Nursing. Along with having a full time job raising a family she also was the school nurse at St. Francis De Sales High School for 14 years.

She was a very strong but gentlewoman who lived a full if not sometimes challenging life. She loved to read, knit, and play bridge with her friends. She was very proud of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and was extremely delighted in their sports and school activities, and accomplishments in life. She was a dedicated caregiver to her husbands as they battled through their illnesses. In her later years she greatly enjoyed the companionship and appreciated the support she received from her own caregivers. Ruth loved to spend her summers at Catawba and especially enjoyed the sunsets over the lake.

Ruth was preceded in death by her brothers Roy Dusseau, Bill Dusseau and sister Ethel Kerscher and by her husband' s John Burnett whom she married in 1944 and Henry Drake whom she married in 1970. She was also preceded in death by her granddaughter Casey Drake and great grandchildren Clarisa Conley and Kevin Conley Jr.

She is survived by her sister Doris Blagus (Richard) Florida and her children Kathleen Conley (Michael) , Texas; Richard Burnett (Kathleen), Pennsylvania;

Daniel Burnett (Ann) California; Patrick Drake, Ohio; Mary Weir (Bill) Florida; Edward "Ted" Drake (Karen), Arizona; and 17 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to St. Francis de Sales High School Burnett/ Drake Scholarship or Hospice of Northwest Ohio or charity of donor's choice.

Ruth's family wants to thank the wonderful women; who for so many years providing loving care for both Henry and her. Their care and dedication made it possible for both to spend their last years peacefully at home.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home; 1770 S Reynolds Rd on Wednesday November 20, 2013 from 2-8 pm where the Rosary will be recited at 7:00 pm. Funeral services will begin in the mortuary on Thursday November 21, 2013 at 9:15 am followed by the funeral Mass at Christ The King Church at 10:00 am. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2224 Dorr St.
Toledo, OH 43607

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 20. 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>

Rosary Service

NOV 20. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SP

“ We were so sorry to learn that Mrs. Ruth Drake had passed away. Mrs. Drake was a beautiful, warm, caring, fun lady. Our Mom, Nancy Sutter, enjoyed playing bridge with Ruth. Our parents Jude and Nancy loved to join Hank (Dr. Henry Drake) and Ruth for dinner and visits at Catawba. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Mary, Ted, and Patrick. Sandy, Kathy, Scott Sutter

Sandy Sutter Pollex - November 21, 2013 at 12:08 PM

CH

“ Dick & Kathleen:

I wish I could be home with you today. I am so sorry for your loss. Ruth was such an amazing lady, always so kind and gracious whenever we saw her. I am thinking of all of you today.

Lots of love to all of you

*Carolyn & Walt Harris
Olive Branch, MS*

Cookie & Walt

Carolyn & Walt Harris - November 21, 2013 at 08:00 AM

JA

“ *"Mrs. Burnett" as I called her was one of the nicest, kindest women I ever knew. My parents introduced her to Dr. Drake and so began another chapter in her remarkable life.
What a wonderful life you have to celebrate.*

joann tansej angarola - November 20, 2013 at 02:02 PM

MB

“ Ruth "Mrs Drake",

The world has lost a true gem. Heaven has gained an angel. Always so pleasant to be around. I will miss our visits at the lake. Hopefully you will get to hear the Lawrence Welk show up there, I know you hate to miss the show.

My prayers are with the family.

*Love,
Shelly*

Michelle Bauer - November 20, 2013 at 11:21 AM

TK

“ When I was at St. Francis, this lady ("Dan's Mom") was probably the most well liked person at the school! Always a smile, friendly conversation, and just so easy to be with....ALWAYS! A model for everyone who met her.

*Terry Koral
Class of 1966*



Terry Koral - November 20, 2013 at 10:54 AM

DB

Hi Terry. Thank you for the warm words. They mean a lot. It's a blessing to hear friends make comments like yours. May God continue to bless you. Dan (danb702@hotmail.com)

Dan Burnett - November 25, 2013 at 09:09 AM

LI

“ Dear Drake Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is tremendous, even with the passage of time. Thankfully, I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress according to Psalms 83:18, and Psalms 65:2. Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again, as promised at John 5:28.29 and Isaiah 25:8. My family and I wish you and yours peace.

Lisa - November 20, 2013 at 08:00 AM

AS

“ Dear Dan and family, sorry for your loss, my prayers are with you and your family. God Bless. Ann F. Smith

Ann Smith - November 20, 2013 at 07:52 AM

DB

Hi Ann. Thank you for the prayers and thoughts. That is very sweet of you, but then if you are who I think you are, you have always been a caring person. (If the 'F' in your signature is for your maiden name, I have a good idea who you are.)

I hope you and your family are doing well and that life has been good to you. God bless you.

Dan Burnett (danb702@hotmail.com)

Dan Burnett - November 25, 2013 at 09:05 AM

AD

“ *When Marshall was in law school and we had practically no money Ruth helped me to make curtains for our sun porch on Eastern. We used sheets! And they looked pretty good. She was working at the time, too. Ruth was also Katy's godmother.*

Ann Desmond - November 18, 2013 at 02:17 PM