



Kathryn H. Loxley

March 25, 1918 - June 11, 2017

It is with profound sadness that the family of Kathryn Loxley announces her passing on the morning of Sunday, June 11, 2017, at the age of 99 years. Kathryn was born in Greenville, Ohio to Fred Harleman and Henrietta Harleman (nee Hosier) on March 25, 1918. She began her long and fabled teaching career in West Milton, Ohio in 1958. A move to Jackson, Ohio in 1964 led her teaching talents to Kinnison School in Jackson, where she taught until her retirement in 1993.

She was known and loved for her lessons in Outdoor Education (which included several class trips throughout the years to "The Shire," the Loxley farm in Wellston, Ohio), economics, and bartering. The lessons taught in these units are still remembered fondly today by former students of Mrs. Loxley.

Kathryn offered a summer program at The Shire for elementary students from 1965 to 1995. The focus of the summer program was academic in the morning hours, with the afternoons being spent swimming or fishing in the lake, and enjoying moments of fellowship at the end of each day.

Her work in education was tireless and practical to young learners, and it earned her recognition at the local, state, and federal levels.

In 1993, Kathryn became a licensed minister. She led the services at the Jackson Christian Church and the Mt. Nebo Church outside of Wellston.

Starting in the mid-90's, she also organized and ran the soup kitchen out of the Jackson Christian Church. She held the tenets of the Christian faith deep in her soul during every waking moment.

She was an example and inspiration to all who knew her—as a teacher, a steward of the planet, a friend, a Christian, and a woman. She will be dearly and sorely missed by all who knew and loved her.

Kathryn is preceded in death by her husband Orval Bautham (O.B.) Loxley, son Ted Loxley, daughter Cheryl Loxley, granddaughter Susan Bilger, and grandsons Aaron Loxley and Montgomery Bilger.

She is survived by daughters Connie Wharton (Dickson) and Carolyn Loxley (James Rogers), daughter-in-law Marilyn Loxley, and son-in-law Paul Hanks. She was a wonderful grandmother to 12 fortunate grandchildren, and she was K-G (Kathryn the Great) to nine granddaughters and grandsons.

Friends will be received on Friday, June 16, 2017, from 4:00-8:00 p.m. at the Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home (135 Broadway Street, Jackson, Oh 45640). A service in celebration of Kathryn's life will be held on Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the Jackson Christian Church, (102 Broadway St., Jackson, Ohio 45640), with Pastor Dale Wesley George officiating. Interment will follow at Leamer Cemetery, on Leamer Cemetery Road (just off of Tom Corwin Road).

In lieu of flowers, family asks for donations to be made to:

The Kathryn Loxley Memorial Scholarship
c/o Jackson City Schools
450 Vaughn Street
Jackson, OH 45640

Please make checks payable to Jackson City Schools and please write "Kathryn Loxley Memorial Fund" in the memo line.

Condolences may be sent to the family at: www.mayhew-brownfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

BG

“ *She was my grandmother's best friend, my fourth grade teacher and a beloved part of our family. She and my grandmother are together again!*

Bronwyn Ginty - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

GT

“ *Mrs. Loxley was ahead of her time. She made learning creative and included every student in that learning process. She was one of my favorite teachers. I remember taking the famous field trip to her farm and creating our own economic system in our class. My 4th grade year was cut short with her as my teacher, though. She had surgery halfway through and Mrs. Lowery finished the year for us. However, Mrs. Loxley is imprinted on my educational life. She will be missed.*

Gil Taylor - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

CB

“ *Mrs. Loxely was my 4th grade teacher at Kinnson many years ago and she influenced me for the years to come, I remember every detail of her class and going to her farm. She was a one of a kind person and educator. She touched so many lives and truly will live on in all of the children she taught. Prayers to everyone at this time.*

Courtney (Wallace) Brewer - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

JM

“ *She was a wonderful lady. she was certainly a family to us. She was always doing something for others. She was my favorite teacher. I know for sure that my mother and her has already reunited together again. I will miss her very sadly. she was a angel in disguise. Love you and will miss you*

Joreen McMillen - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

JM

“ Katherine was a big part of our family she was my favorite school teacher. She would do anything for anyone. She has been reunited with her best friend. She will be truly missed.

Joreen McMillen - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

VH

“ Katheryn was a one of a kind individual. Teacher, friend, counselor, mentor and very much part of our family. We all will miss her greatly, but know she will be another angel looking after all of us,

Valeria Hersman - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

PD

“ Deepest sympathy to all the family. She will be remembered in our family for her laughter and love of life. Sweet sleep, Katie.

Pam Loxley Drake - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

JB

“ I am so saddened to hear of the passing of Kathryn. I worked on her Satellite and TV's for several years before I retired. She and O.B. were always a pleasure to work for and I always enjoyed talking with them. My condolences to the family.

Jim Beckner - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

BS

“ I will never forget this, "one-of-a-kind" lady. Our family's were close back in the day. Attended school and Sunday school with her and Hub's kids. Also, will always remember the personal tour Katie gave Dixie and I of The Shire while driving her 'Mule'.

Bruce Shank - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

TD

“ "KG" Katherine the Great -- pretty much says it all. She was great to everyone who was touched by her life, especially me. My prayer has been answered: When you shake hands with God, tell him I said "Hi."

Tom Dearing - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

PB

“ I am truly blessed to have known Mrs. Loxley growing up in my youth. She was a wonderful educator who seemed to have the patience of a saint (considering my unruliness in Sunday school). She was a role model with a beautiful heart and kind soul. May you rest in His perfect peace knowing you are loved by many. May the countless blessings continue in eternity. Till we meet again. 1 Corinthians 15:51

Paul Boothe - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

DH

“ Mrs. Loxley was the fifth grade teacher of my wife (Linda Hemmerick) and me (Dennis Hunt) in the 1958-59 school year at Milton-Union Schools in West Milton, Ohio. Clearly, she was a wonderful and beloved teacher, our favorite, and we always considered ourselves as 'teacher's pets.' Truth be known, everyone thought they were her 'pets'. We always have wondered where she went after leaving Milton. She, obviously, was a remarkable, caring humanitarian.

Dennis Hunt - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM

LR

“*Kate and my mother began their friendship in the late 1930s while working at Frigidaire in Dayton and it never ended. She was my mother's maid of honor twice, and both my father and my stepfather thought the world of Kate and Hub. After spending some time with Kate at the Shire a few years ago I decided that without a doubt she was the most amazing woman I have ever met. Rest in peace Kate, and now you can resume your friendship with my Mother, Doris.*”

Lana Rhoads - June 29, 2018 at 09:37 AM



“*My heartfelt sympathies go out to family and friends during this difficult time. I hope that the promise found in 1 Thessalonians 4 : 14 can bring some comfort. Knowing that there is a future for the ones we have lost in death can be so reassuring.*”

June 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM