



Penelope Jane "Penny" Locke

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Penelope Locke Obituary

Penelope Jane "Penny" Locke (nee Stevens), 78, joined her beloved husband and her devoted son in eternal rest November 30, 2024.

Born September 11, 1946 in Oberlin, Penny was a 1964 graduate of Oberlin High School and attended Baldwin Wallace University. For nearly 3 decades, Penny was a dynamic and dedicated administrative assistant at Prospect Elementary School in Oberlin. Penny truly loved her time at Prospect. She dedicated her life to helping others succeed, students and educators alike.

Lifelong resident of Oberlin, Penny will best be remembered for her beautiful spirit. Penny was kind to everyone and was a good listener. She was passionate about people, their stories and their lives. Family and friends (new and long standing) brought her much joy.

Her happiest times were spent with her four beautiful grandchildren, her family and friends, caring for her flowers and her love of reading.

Penny is survived by her daughters Denise (Bill) Capers of Oberlin and Christin (Martin) Brown of Columbus; grandchildren, Elena Robinson, Kristopher Robinson, Emily Capers and Brandon Locke.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 48 years, Bert in 2014; son, Bert Locke II in 2014; parents, Vernon and Nell Stevens and sisters, Kay O'Brien and Pat Arnold.

In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial contributions to the Oberlin Schools Backpack Program.

Donations written to the Oberlin City Schools go to the board office at 153 N. Main Street, Oberlin Ohio, 44074. Include Oberlin Backpack Program in the memo line.



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Per Penny's request, there will be no formal services.

To send flowers
to the family or plant a tree
in memory of Penelope Jane "Penny" Locke, please visit our floral store.

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Tribute Wall

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JC

Jon Clark posted:

A Memorial tree was ordered in memory of Penelope Jane "Penny" Locke by Jon Clark . Plant a Tree To Bill Capers and the Locke Family, Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Sincerely, John Clark, Interim Oberlin City Manager, Oberlin City Council and City Staff Jon Clark

April 22 at 8:56 AM

ES

Expression Of Sympathy posted:

A dream in pink was purchased for the family of Penelope Jane "Penny" Locke. Send Flowers

April 22 at 8:56 AM

TF

The Wisco-Sparks Family posted:

Our family will always remember Penny as the most welcoming person we knew. She always greeted us with love and cared for everyone fortunate enough to spend time around her. Rest in peace, Penny. The Wisco-Sparks Family

December 7 at 7:05 AM

BD

Bill Doane posted:

Denise, Christin, and Family, It was with deep sadness that I read of Mrs Locke's passing. Such a wonderful and caring person always with a smile and a kind word. Her work at Prospect will be remembered and appreciated by many students including my daughter. She and your father were some of the first of a life long group of friends I met when first coming to Oberlin. You like myself had great loving parents. I pray the good memories may strengthen you at this difficult time God Bless Bill and Jackie Doane

December 3 at 4:40 PM

BS

Bertha Sparks posted:

Penny was such a lovely person. It was a pleasure to know her. I pray God's comfort and peace for the family. Bertha and Charles Sparks

December 3 at 12:14 PM



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SG

Sarah Graves posted:

i'm sad I won't officially get to say goodbye to Penny before my family and I move and transition to Tennessee on 12/29 or 30

December 3 at 7:10 AM

SG

Sarah Graves posted:

Penny was the friendliest across the hall neighbor possible i'll miss waking up to her friendly face every morning and seeing her and her good friends out by the swimming pool but I know she's in a better place now with her son and husband. It breaks my heart that i'll never get to say a goodbye to her before my family and I officially move to Tennessee on 12/28

December 3 at 7:07 AM

SG

Sarah Graves posted:

I have absolutely no words for this immense loss just fond memories of spending time by the pool with Penny though far and in between each other she enjoyed playing cards with her friends there and honestly I didn't want to interrupt her precious time with her good friends most of the time but they would always say hello when I walked by back into the building.

December 3 at 6:58 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Penelope by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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