



Genelle May Berry

November 19, 1927 - November 13, 2019

Genelle M. Berry, of Wapakoneta, died peacefully in her sleep early Wednesday morning, November 13, 2019, one week before her 92nd birthday. Wapakoneta was her childhood home and her retirement place of choice after residing in Chicago, Florida, and Michigan over the years.

She was a member of the First English Lutheran Church, the Helen Hunt Club, the Wapakoneta Art Center, and was a dedicated volunteer in her community. She worked professionally as a dental hygienist. Genelle lived a full, passionate life, and she enjoyed a large variety of creative endeavors, including her favorites: writing poetry, painting, and designing Father Christmases. Many fortunate friends and family have received and cherish pieces of Genelle's gift for artistry, and she was generous with her heartfelt words of encouragement for all. Genelle sang in five languages in churches and on opera stages all over the world. She wrote one poem that was very special to her, called *Come My Little One*. In her own words, she wrote the poem "for my own children, and those I am privileged to love."

She is survived by her children: Rebecca Lofland, Della Rodgers, Joe Martin, Lecia Winn, and their spouses and children. Genelle is also remembered by a very strong community of dear friends who absolutely love her for the gifts of understanding, personal empowerment, love, and connection she shared with all.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m., Sat. Nov. 16, 2019, at the First English Lutheran Church, Wapakoneta, with Pastors Neil Brady & Steven Nelson officiating. The family will receive family and friends from 12 noon until time of the service, Saturday, at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be directed to the Community Health Professionals, 803 Brewfield Dr., Suite 1, Wapakoneta, OH, 45895. Arrangements are being conducted by the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, Wapakoneta, where condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **16.** 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

First English Lutheran Church
107 W. Mechanic St.
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Service

NOV **16.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Genelle always made me laugh. Her wit was sharp and quick. We talked about Heaven more than anything else and I know she is in her Happy Place.* ”

Helen Breier - November 17, 2019 at 03:05 PM



“ *Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Genelle May Berry.* ”



November 15, 2019 at 04:18 PM

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“ *Love, Neil & Tracy Lenok purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Genelle May Berry.* ”



Love, Neil & Tracy Lenok - November 15, 2019 at 12:04 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Genelle May Berry.* ”



November 15, 2019 at 08:33 AM

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“ Karen Hess purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Genelle May Berry.



Karen Hess - November 15, 2019 at 08:10 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Genelle May Berry.



November 14, 2019 at 09:50 PM



“ Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Genelle May Berry.



November 14, 2019 at 07:29 PM