



Ann Kesselring

September 24, 1926 - January 15, 2021

Ann Kesselring, loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, age 94, passed away Friday, January 15, 2021 at Wesley Ridge Retirement Community. She was born in Evansville, IN on September 24, 1926 to the late Fred and Anna (Buening) Freese. Ann graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelor Degree in Home Economics and was later certified in Special Education. She taught in many school districts and substituted in Pickerington High Schools. Ann loved people, and people loved Ann. She was a volunteer at Blacklick Woods Metro Park Nature Center, The American Red Cross, and the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Ann was a very active member of Bethany Lutheran Church. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Boyd Kesselring. She is survived by her children, Michael (Bruce) Bestwick, Rock (Cynthia) Kesselring, Ellen (Larry) Porche, Richard (Gail) Thompson, Kathryn (Jim) Reed, Scott (Angie) Thompson, Barbara (David) Graham, and Robert (Tami) Thompson; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Family will receive friends 1pm-2pm Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at Schoedinger East, 5360 E. Livingston Ave., where the funeral service will begin at 2pm. Masks are required and attendance will be monitored to maintain social distancing requirements. Please visit <http://www.schoedinger.com> to extend condolences or to view a live webcast of Ann's funeral service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Bethany Lutheran Church, 1000 Noe Bixby Rd. Columbus, OH 43213 or to Summit Hospice, 2760 Airport Dr., Building C, Suite 160, Columbus, OH 43219.

Events

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Visitation

01:00PM - 02:00PM

Schoedinger Funeral and Cremation Service- East

5360 E. Livingston Avenue, Columbus, OH, US, 43232

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Funeral Service

02:00PM

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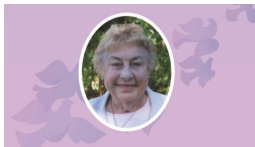
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Schoedinger Funeral Service - January 19 at 08:29 AM



“ An external video has been added.



Schoedinger Funeral Service - January 18 at 02:16 PM



“ Love the memories of the family and Grandma Ann. Love Andy Angie and Rudy
Andy - January 19 at 12:29 PM



“ I am just now reading of Ann's passing. My mother, PeggyJane Osborne were childhood friends. Ann and I connected on Face Book after my mother passed. It always amazed me that she would keep in contact via FB. My mother would never had been able to do this. Many times my mother would speak of Ann and share childhood stories. Sorry to hear of her passing.

Linda Osborne - September 16 at 07:47 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear of Ann's passing. Tom & I met her and Boyd at the HAI, Helicopter Association conventions back in the 70's. Tom was a helicopter pilot at the time for Minnkota Power Cooperative in Grand Forks ND. We now live in Las Vegas. Lots of fond memories.....we kept in touch over the years.....and visited them in CT & Ohio several times. She and Boyd were a very special couple, and we so much enjoyed their friendship. Our sincere condolences to all the family members that they so dearly loved and cherished.....we feel blessed to have know them both:)

Judy & Tom Cochran



Judy & Tom Cochran - February 18 at 07:27 PM



“ Was such a blessing to live beside Ann and Boyd on Beckford Street. It hasn't been the same without them. They were two very special people. I feel like I know all of their family from our conversations and Ann showing me all the latest photos of you. We admired how well all of you got along in your blended family. Love and kindness will do that.

Harold and I enjoyed many "happy hours" on our front porch with Ann. One in particular that we always chuckled about was the day Ann decided she would come over in Boyd's mobile chair. Here she came rolling down her driveway, across our house in the street and then up our driveway. All the while holding up her martini glass so that it wouldn't spill! We laughed and told her she needed to be careful or she would get a DUI! Makes me smile to think of it. She was so precious. Sharp as a tack! How blessed she was to have such a good mind...and soul.

I last spoke with her on the phone December 24. She told me she was dying. I told her I loved her and I certainly did.

I am sorry that I couldn't be there for her service today. I had my first Covid vaccine shot today. My daughters insist that I be very careful until I get the second shot in three weeks. I did watch the service from here on Beckford St. Very nice.

God bless all of you eight children and your families. I share your loss.

Linda Clyburn

Linda Clyburn - January 19 at 02:56 PM



“ Ann knew someone everywhere--a past or present student, neighbor, fellow volunteer, etc. Her welcoming smile was a blessing to many. She spoke to a high school Sunday School class to share her growing up. Everywhere she lived, she talked about how wonderful the neighbors were. The class discussed why she had such good neighbors all the time--the one thing common was Ann. Ann was the reason she had such good neighbors. What a blessing she and Boyd have been in my life--a wonderful Christian sister and a wonderful Christian example of loving others. Bobbie Glotzhober, Bethany Lutheran Church, Columbus, OH

Bobbie Glotzhober - January 19 at 12:28 PM



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Jenni Jacobson - January 19 at 10:10 AM



“ Ann was a special friend that was fun to be with and easy to love. We shared many great times together at Blacklick Woods, playing golf, lunch outings and events. I will miss her wonderful smile, great hugs and shared talks. My prayers for Ann and Boyd and all their loved ones.

Barbara Goldberg

Barbara Goldberg - January 19 at 08:43 AM



“ Grandma Ann meant so much to us. We will forever remember the stories and precious moments. Blessed with the memories we got to create with this very special lady. Until we meet again - Mark, Tonia, Ryker and Jaz



Tonia Porche - January 18 at 05:54 PM



“ Ann and Boyd were loving, caring people. We were neighbors diagonally on street behind them. She always asked how I was doing. I Wehad the privilege of sending her cards to help cheer her this past year.

Debra & Gary Poling - January 17 at 10:12 PM



“ My sisters and I grew up behind Ann & Boyd Kesselring and have so many childhood memories of seeing them and their dogs while we played in the backyard. And SO many times we had to go around the block to ask to get a ball or frisbee back that flew over the fence. You know those neighbors who are woven into the fabric of your childhood memories? That's Mrs. Kesselring for us. I also remember being so surprised to walk into science class one day in 8th grade to be greeted by name by our substitute teacher! I hadn't realized she was a sub and it was nice to have her in class too! Rest In Peace Mrs. Kesselring, and tell Mr. Kesselring I intend to raise my son to be one of “those kids who still play outside in the yard.”

Sincerely,
Megan (Braemer) Fernandez

Megan Fernandez - January 17 at 08:34 PM



“ Ann was a wonderful lady. I loved seeing her and Boyd at church and later just Ann. She was always smiling. I enjoyed playing games of Scrabble with her on the internet. I will miss her.

Connie Sasser
Member of Bethany

Connie Lou Sasser - January 17 at 07:08 PM



“ I thought a great deal of Mrs. Kesselring. I was in charge of acquiring substitutes for Pickerington High School, Ann was one of the best. She was positive, flexible and gracious.

I respected her beyond words because she saw the job as a calling. Students liked and respected her.

Sincerely,
Jim Thompson
Assistant Principal
Retired in 2003

Jim Thompson - January 17 at 01:26 PM



“ Ann and I were friends through our church, but she was much more than a friend to me. She was like a mom to me, especially after my own mom died. I was inspired by her faithfulness to the Lord even in the face of great trials, her persistence, her appreciativeness, her cheerfulness, and her genuine caring. Thank you for sharing your mom with me and with so many others. She and your dad will always hold a special place in my heart!

Cynthia Deering - January 19 at 12:19 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ann Kesselring.



January 17 at 12:50 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ann Kesselring.



January 17 at 11:40 AM