



Barbara Jean Bentz

October 21, 1929 - August 20, 2014

Barbara J. Bentz, age 84, of Huntington, died at 9:50 p.m. Wednesday (August 20, 2014) at Markle Health and Rehabilitation Center.

There will be no visitation or funeral services. Private graveside services will be held at later date with Rev. Richard Bunnell officiating.

Preferred memorials are to Shriners Hospitals for Children - Chicago or Huntington County Humane Society, in care of Bailey - Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN.

Barbara was born October 21, 1929 in Gary, the daughter of Franklin Dale and Marjorie A. (Copeland) Allman. She was salutatorian of the Roanoke High School class of 1947. She married Wayne H. Bentz on June 27, 1948 in Roanoke. Barbara helped her husband farm in Jackson and Clear Creek Townships. She worked for International Harvester in Fort Wayne for 10 years, and she was co-owner of the trap and skeet range in Clear Creek Township for 20 years. Barbara retired in 1988 after working as a professional legal secretary, the first person to hold this title in the state of Indiana. Barbara was a member of The Daughters of the Nile, Mizpah Temple in Fort Wayne. She proudly held the title of First Lady of the Mizpah Temple in 2003 as well. Other memberships include Seminary United Methodist Church in Roanoke, and the Monday Club and The Lunch Bunch Bridge Club, both in Huntington. Barbara

enjoyed shooting sports along with hunting and fishing. She had deep love for animals, especially dogs. Reading was an important part of her life as well.

Barbara is survived by her husband of 66 years - Wayne H. Bentz of Huntington; one son Samuel W. (Joyce) Bentz of Huntington; two daughters - Sally M. Hartman of Huntington and Beverly J. (Toby) Hullinger of Monroeville; seven grandchildren, and ten great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents and two sons-in-law - James Hartman and Byron Fromm.

Tribute Wall

HC

“ *Share a memory of Barbara Jean Bentz, or send a condolence to the family...I will miss you Barb, sorry for your loss.*

Hailey Cassel - September 01, 2014 at 06:12 PM

LO

“ *In the short period of Mrs. Bentz life that we have got to know her, we found her to be a very loving and caring person. We have always felt very welcome by her and enjoyed her company. Love the family stories she shared. Love and prayers for her and her family.*

Linda & John Outten

Linda & John Outten - August 24, 2014 at 09:51 PM

SC

“ *I have many happy childhood memories of staying in the Bentz household with my friend Sally. These were made possible by the kindness of Barb Bentz. I know she touched so many lives in a positive way and offer my sympathy to her family and friends. Linda Craig Scheiber*

Scheiber - August 24, 2014 at 09:06 AM

MT

“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with the whole family as you remember your wife and Mother BJ. She was a spark in her life time, now she is a star in heaven. Steve and Marilyn Thrasher*

Marilyn and Steve Thrasher - August 23, 2014 at 09:53 AM

RD

“ Our prayers and thoughts to Wayne and the entire Bentz family at this time. Rest in peace Barbara. Know you are loved and will be missed by many.

Robert and Sue Dumford

Robert Dumford - August 23, 2014 at 07:29 AM

RH

“ We will forever be grateful to Wayne and BJ for their kindness and generosity to a couple of young, struggling kids who loved the lake. In loving memory, Ron and Cheryl Hochstetler.

Ron/Cheryl Hochstetler - August 22, 2014 at 07:55 PM

RW

“ Wayne and family, You are in our prayers and thoughts during this time. Sorry to hear about BJ today. Linda and I always enjoyed talking and visiting with her at the various Shrine functions.

*Roger and Linda Weaver
PP Mizpah Shrine*



Roger Weaver - August 22, 2014 at 04:44 PM