



Betty Owen Fox

March 25, 2020

Betty Owens Fox, 94, passed away on Wednesday, March 25, 2020. She was born in Lancaster to Richard Davy Owens and Evelyn Ayres Owens. She is survived by two children, John M. Fox (Janet) of Houston, Texas and Barbara Fox McConnell (Douglas) of Lancaster; two grandchildren, Jeffery Fox (Zoe McCoy) and Julia Fox (Alex Brewer), both of Houston, Texas. Also, in Houston are two great-grandchildren, Bennett (Jeff & Zoe) and Asher (Julia & Alex).

She was preceded in death by John (Jack) Fordyce Martin, husband of 2 years in 1950, by Gerald (Jerry) R. Fox, husband of 33 years in 1986, and by her sister, Phyllis O. Weber in 2014.

She graduated from J.P. McCaskey High School in 1943 and Wilson College, with a BA in psychology, in 1947. She was employed in the field of human services her entire career, retiring as the Executive Director of the Lancaster Day Care Center.

Her church life was very important to her. She was a member of Highland Presbyterian Church, where she was an Elder. She also served as a Trustee and a Stephen Minister. She enjoyed singing with the Chancel Choir at Highland, also loved golf, bowling and bridge. She served on the Board of Directors of the Mental Health Association in Lancaster County, was a member of PEO, and volunteered for Meals on Wheels & also the social group Alpha, an arm of the MHA.

A memorial service to celebrate her life will be held at a later date, to be determined by the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her name to Highland Presbyterian Church, 500 E. Roseville Road, Lancaster, PA 17601.

Comments



“ I knew Betty back in the 90s at Highland. We moved away, and on returning to Lancaster she was part of Mary-Martha Bible Study group that I, also, joined. She was a lovely lady, and I just wish to convey my sympathy to the family. Nancy Mudloff

Nancy Mudloff - October 13 at 01:25 PM



“ Dear John & Barbara,
What a gift Betty was to Highland Presbyterian Church! (Jerry, too) I remember them both with much affection & admiration, I'm sure Ross would agree. We have been blessed by such friends over the years..
I have thought of you often over these past months...& hope that you have taken comfort in knowing that she lived such rich, caring & faithful life.. & is now in the arms of a loving God.. Hope our paths cross again someday.. so please stay in touch.
With my love & prayers,
Joyce (& the whole McClintock Family)

Joyce McClintock - October 13 at 12:02 PM



“ I remember Betty so fondly when I was involved in the Lancaster Day Care Center, now the Lancaster Enrichment Center. What I remember best was her smile and she always had a kind word to say to you that made you feel better. She lived a good life and will be well remembered.

Sandy Cross

Sandy Cross - April 12 at 08:18 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss. I worked on Betty’s unit until retirement and I could always count on her to have a smile, crack a joke, or give me the best advice about life. She had a great listening ear and the picture that you have chosen tells it all. Betty had a great smile and her positive attitude made her one of the favorites at MM. I am sure that you all have great memories living life with Betty. She will be missed! Sending my sincere sympathy to everyone. Praying that our Lord will be your comfort and bring you peace and strength in these days. Blessings, Doris Dieterle

Doris Dieterle - April 01 at 08:10 PM



“ Thank you, Doris, for your kind words. I know she touched the hearts of everyone at Moravian. We so appreciate the care and love she received there.

Barb

Barb - April 02 at 02:31 PM



“ We really miss Betty in our Mary/Martha Bible study group. She was always perky and cheerful. I met her when she was a Stephen Minister. Also, she used to sing in the choir at Highland.

Ellen Morse - April 02 at 08:08 PM



“ I had the pleasure of living next to Betty on Park Plaza Lancaster in the early 1990s. Her home and ours were both corner lots and built by the same very good builder. Betty was so nice to us and always there to help with a smile or a joke. She introduced us to Barb who was also a dog lover Betty was always cheerful and filled in on the history of our house and it’s prior owners who were close friends of hers. She went all out to make us feel welcome in Lancaster and when I see the photo posted I am immediately reminded of her great smile and positive attitude. May the good Lord comfort her family in this time
Of grief. I am blessed to have known Betty and been on the receiving end of her special friendship. Rest on peace dear woman.

charlie glines - April 09 at 09:27 PM