



## Roberta M. Bruns

January 18, 2022

Roberta M. Bruns, wife, mother, teacher, and active community member, died on Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

She was born in 1930 to Sumner and Edna Shepard in Uniontown, PA. Her father was a department store manager for WT Grants, moving the family to a variety of locations in western PA and central NY. While growing up, Roberta spent many summers at a camp in New England, as both a camper and counselor. She graduated from the Butler, PA high school in 1948.

Roberta earned a BA in education in 1952 from Tufts College, Medford, MA. After graduation, she taught elementary school in Baltimore, MD, and Sanford, FL. In 1953 she married fellow Tufts grad, and US Naval aviator, C. Alan Bruns. She was a loving, dedicated housewife and mother of three children. After her children were grown, she returned to teaching in the Lancaster schools for 20 years. A 50-year resident of Lancaster, she was very active locally in Scouts, the UU Church, the public schools, the Democratic Party, Homestead Village, and the local library. She and her family often traveled to summer family events in New England, Elderhostels in various parts of the USA, and occasionally to Europe. She was very fond of hosting holiday gatherings, especially with her grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband of 64 years, C. Alan Bruns, and sister,

Suzanne Shepard Myett. She is survived by her children, Matthew Bruns, Melissa B. Taylor, Mark Bruns, and her four grandchildren.

A Celebration of Roberta's life will be held on Saturday, July 16, 2022, at 1PM at the Bachman Center in Homestead Village, 633 Community Way Lancaster, PA. 17603.

The family is currently creating a scholarship with the Lancaster Recreation Commission, where Roberta was very involved as a volunteer. Further information on donating to this scholarship will be forthcoming.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL **16**. 1:00 PM (ET)

The Bachman Center (on the Homestead Village Campus)  
633 Community Way  
Lancaster, PA 17603

# Tribute Wall



“ *Roberta M. Bruns*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Roberta and Alan brought so much good to their world. I was fortunate to have known them. I am sorry for your loss.*

**Dick Fluck** - March 09, 2022 at 12:19 PM



“ *My condolences to the Bruns family. The School District of Lancaster was so fortunate to have such a good teacher! I am sure her former students have many memories. I enjoyed being part of the faculty with her.*

*Beth Hough*

**Beth Hough** - February 28, 2022 at 08:45 PM



“ *What a lovely lady. Mrs Bruns was my 2nd grade teacher. She was very memorable to me. She is the one who told my parents I had a learning disability and got me the help I needed. I was fortunate to see her several times after my 2nd grade year. Mostly recently about a year or so ago at Giant. She recognize me and we had a very nice conversation. She will always hold a special place in my heart.*

*~Jessica*

**Jessica Neely Burkhart** - February 27, 2022 at 04:05 PM