



Betty Grace Marcum

November 15, 1919 - July 6, 2020

(Betty) Grace Marcum passed away on July 6, 2020. She lived a long, productive life. Preceded in death by the love of her life, Maynard B Marcum, Grace remained faithful to that love for the remaining 47 years of her life. Widowed at 53, she became fiercely independent. Always one to put family first, she spent her life caretaking others including her children, grandchildren, parents, and some of her siblings. Beloved Mother, Grandmother, Great Grandmother, and Friend, Grace is survived by four of her five children - Bruce Marcum, Jenifer Bryson, David Scott Marcum, and Leah Marcum-Estes; her children's spouses - Richard Bryson, Douglas Estes, and Patricia S. Marcum; 8 grandchildren; and 6 great grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Stephen (Moose) Marcum, daughter-in-law, Anna Lee Huelett Marcum, and great grandson, Zachary Marcum.

A true creative, Grace was curious, inventive, and tremendously resourceful. One of her greatest joys was to entertain in her home and cook for a crowd. She was a quilter, weaver, tailor, gardener, farmer, and jewelry maker, to say nothing of her career in accounting. She relished the opportunity to learn something new and, in turn, to teach others. She was involved in many organizations and participated in many service projects in the community.

A private graveside gathering for interment and celebration of her life was held

at the Frankfort Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ *Betty Grace Marcum*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Grace is also my 2nd cousin. She and my Mother Marjorie were both born in 1919, less than 6 months apart. They grew up together living very nearby each other in Clay County until Mom's family moved to Versailles in 1933. At some point Grace's family also moved to central KY. Later, my Mom and Dad lived in other states for 35+ years, before returning in 1989. Dad passed away soon after, and Mom and Grace reconnected again in a big way. Grace was a tremendous help to my Mom after Dad passed, and we were all so grateful for her presence in Mom's life, along with other family members.*

When my brother and I and my children would come to KY to visit, we always saw Grace, almost every trip, and so much enjoyed visiting her at her lovely home and garden, and the wonderful meals she would prepare, often with food grown from the very same garden. She was one very Grand Lady, so kind and full of wit and wisdom, and old-school knowledge and skills that are now being lost. She lived a fine long life and was just the best in every way. My condolences to everyone, we will all miss her, and will never forget having been blessed by knowing her.

Best of Health to All - Greg Vigle and Family

Greg Vigle - July 13, 2020 at 07:54 PM

PH

“ Grace is my 2nd cousin. What an amazing lady who touched so many people’s lives. Her love for family & her many talents made such an impression. What an honor to have enjoyed time with her! My prayers are with her family❤️Phyllis Britton Hewitt

Phyllis Britton Hewitt - July 12, 2020 at 02:43 PM

BS

“ She did so much for Frankfort and it's residences. I worked with her daughter, Jennifer (Jeni), and learned more about her talents and good deeds. She was a good role model. Best wishes and love to her family.

Barbara Sonnen

Barbara Sonnen - July 10, 2020 at 04:01 PM

MP

“ Leah, How wonderful that you have enjoyed your mother all these years! She was truly a special person! So sorry to learn of her passing and my first thought was to "let Sharon know"... the second thought was "I can't do that". We lost Sharon, after a 4-month battle with a brain tumor, glioblastoma, on April 6. I feel her loss every day and have difficulty accepting that she is truly gone... Hugs and love to you and your family. Mary-Dean (Parris) Phifer

Mary-Dean Phifer - July 10, 2020 at 08:37 AM

CB

“ Claudia Balthrop lit a candle in memory of Betty Grace Marcum



Claudia Balthrop - July 09, 2020 at 12:06 PM

CB

A lovely, strong lady whose spirit stretched over many lives. I never met her but I feel I know her through all the wonderful stories I've heard. Rest in peace Miss Grace.

Claudia Balthrop - July 09, 2020 at 12:11 PM

LW

“ *Leroy and I enjoyed a lot of time in her home growing up. She taught me to knit and I think of her every time I pick up my needles. Both her and Mr Marcum very kind and patient with all the neighborhood kids, their home was the place to gather!* ”

Linda and Leroy Wilhoite - July 09, 2020 at 10:00 AM

GC

“ *Gary Cardwell lit a candle in memory of Betty Grace Marcum* ”



Gary Cardwell - July 08, 2020 at 08:06 PM

JG

“ *Jeanie And Don Gregory lit a candle in memory of Betty Grace Marcum* ”



Jeanie and Don Gregory - July 08, 2020 at 02:59 PM

DG

“ Loved Mrs. Marcum, she made a lot of children’s childhood HAPPY. Every child that lived on Evergreen Road back in the 60, 70 and 80’s will know what I am talking about. Thank you Mrs. Marcum you will be missed.

Donna Poole Gay - July 08, 2020 at 01:46 PM

PA

“ Wonderful people! My mother, Helen Roberts, worked with Maynard in state government and became friends of both. She thought so much of them and now can rejoice once again with them. Daughter, Patty Roberts Armstrong

Patty Armstrong - July 08, 2020 at 11:07 AM

LS

“ Lorene Sigal lit a candle in memory of Betty Grace Marcum



lorene sigal - July 08, 2020 at 08:28 AM

AC

“ Ann Coyle lit a candle in memory of Betty Grace Marcum



Ann Coyle - July 07, 2020 at 10:48 PM

S(

“ I worked with Miss Grace for 10 years beginning with the mid 70s. I've thought of her often and got to meet her mom also. She loved gardening and flowers. She was a virtuous woman. May she rest in peace with God.

Sherree (wood) - July 07, 2020 at 10:12 PM

TD

“ She was my neighbor when I was 11 or 12 and a good Christian lady who I always thought was so kind and strong.

Tobie Ann Horn Dunbar

Tobie Ann Horn Dunbar - July 07, 2020 at 07:16 PM

DH

“ Grace was such a wonderful person, she helped teach me how to knit. She also give me some tips for cooking for large groups of people. Loved this lady so much. May God give the family and friends peace and comfort.



Dawn Woodside Harrod - July 07, 2020 at 06:13 PM

TW

“ Tommy Woolumd lit a candle in memory of Betty Grace Marcum



Tommy Woolumd - July 07, 2020 at 05:42 PM

DH

“ Truly amazing Grace, so hospitable, so creative, a quiet achiever. A pleasure to have had the privilege to meet her. Sadly missed. Love to all her family.

DIANNE HOBBS - July 07, 2020 at 05:15 PM

SB

Loved my childhood days with Mrs Marcum and family. Spent many many hours at the Marcum home playing with Leah in the playhouse by the grapevines eating those delicious grapes. Enjoyed many days playing checkers on the large covered back porch when it was raining. Playing in the snow and getting warm by the fireplace in basement. So very many wonderful memories. I loved Mr and Mrs Marcum so very much.

Susan Hagy Bryan - July 07, 2020 at 07:11 PM

JB

Leah, so sorry to hear about the loss of your Mother. I just remember from Evergreen her lovely singing voice. May she Rest In Peace & may you find strength & comfort during this time. Jackie (Hawkins) Brown

Jackie Brown - July 14, 2020 at 12:29 PM