



## Marilyn Joyce Schultz

December 21, 1930 - January 26, 2021

Marilyn Joyce Schultz, an educator from Toledo, Ohio and loving wife, mother, grandmother and aunt, passed away on January 26, 2021, in Sarasota, Florida, shortly after the loss of her beloved husband of 65 years, Donald Robert Schultz.

Marilyn was the embodiment of warmth and humor which she radiated throughout her life to family and friends, keeping them laughing while blanketing them with love. She dedicated her life to her husband, daughters and countless students who benefitted from her affectionate guidance, perceptive insights and infinite wit.

Born on December 21, 1930, Marilyn grew up on Brighton Avenue in Toledo, Ohio. The granddaughter of immigrant German farmers, Marilyn spent most weekends at their Woodville, Ohio farm where she learned to drive the family Chevy at age 11 and developed a love for her grandmother's delicious cooking. Her highly creative mother, Augusta Heuerman, was an expert seamstress who instilled in Marilyn a life-long love for sewing, fashion and jewelry. Her father, Herbert Heuerman, who played the harmonica by ear, bestowed Marilyn with the musical talent to master the piano and intricate jazz chording by her early teens. Marilyn graduated from Libbey High School in 1948 where her favorite class was Latin and she was active in several friendship clubs. Subsequently, she attended the University of Toledo, joining

the Phi Beta Phi Sorority and earning an Education degree in 1952.

During her senior year, Marilyn was introduced to her future husband Don on a blind date arranged by her brother, which she finally agreed to after being promised that he was tall. With Don stationed at Camp Polk, Louisiana in the National Guard, Marilyn began teaching at Walbridge Elementary School. Despite the distance between them, Marilyn and Don stayed in touch via love letters and long train rides, culminating in their marriage on July 16, 1955. According to Don, it was Marilyn's stunning blue eyes, charming nature, and good dance moves that kept him asking for dates.

In 1963, Marilyn and Don moved to a new home in south Toledo where they spent the next 40 years raising their daughters, Susan and Linda. During this time, Marilyn continued to teach in the Toledo Public School System, taking a ten-year break to focus on being a Mother and Homemaker. In this role, she mastered the art of taking her daughters out to dinner on nights when Don worked late, and making the coolest bell bottom jeans. After returning to work, Marilyn spent the rest of her career at Glendale-Feilbach Elementary School, teaching children with special needs, where she was renowned for her creative bulletin boards, lively piano playing, and hilariously funny stories told during teacher lunch breaks.

In 2002, Marilyn and Donald moved to a golf community in Sarasota, Florida where she enjoyed spending time with her daughters, grandchildren, and good friends from Toledo who lived nearby. During her retirement, Marilyn enjoyed frequent community social gatherings, relaxing by neighborhood pools, and taking in the scenic lake and golf course view from her lanai. Marilyn's family will best remember her as a loving, caring and kind person who was fiercely devoted to her family and friends. She had the uncanny ability to strike up conversations with absolute strangers and become quick and lasting friends. She had a humorous nature and loved to tease her

students and grandchildren. She was happiest in social situations and loved parties, family dinners and playing bridge. She had a natural talent for design, making every home lovely and cozy with eye catching furnishings and interesting knick knacks. She had a keen intelligence and creativity as evidenced by the heartfelt and amusing poems that graced the custom greeting cards she made for family, colleagues and friends. She enjoyed travelling, but felt most at home in Toledo, Ohio where her heart remained throughout her life, reading the Toledo Blade daily and dedicating hours to creating family scrapbooks and documenting genealogy.

Marilyn will remain forever in the hearts of her daughters Susan (Glen) Adams and Linda Calvin, grandchildren Jocelyn and Grant Calvin, brother Ralph Heuerman, niece Christine Lemay, and nephews Kurt (Barbara) Heuerman, Karl (Elise) Heuerman, and Bruce (Karen) Shane. She has been reunited with her cherished husband Don, loving parents Augusta (Koring) and Herbert Heuerman, sisters-in-law Janet Heuerman, Wanda Erkert and Phyllis Shane, brothers-in-law Bob Erkert and Ed Shane, nephew Matthew Shane, and her favorite orange tabby cat Taffy, and dog Dutchie.

A Celebration of Life for Marilyn will be deferred until a later date due to the continuing challenging times. Marilyn's ashes will be interred, alongside those of her dearly loved husband Don, in the Sarasota National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please support an organization meaningful to you, or contribute to The University of Toledo.

“One touch of nature makes the whole world kin.” – William Shakespeare

# Tribute Wall

JK

“ Sue and Linda,  
All of us Harmses were saddened to see of your dad's and mom's deaths. They were such wonderful, fun, kind people and good to all of us neighborhood kids. Our parents also just passed away close together (Dad in Sept. and Mom in Nov.) I like to hope that they're all together in Heaven sharing laughs like they used to, neighbors again. We hope you and your families are doing well.  
Julie Harms Kipp

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**Julie Kipp** - February 16, 2021 at 01:57 PM

TP

“ Linda. Sending my sincerest condolences upon learning of your Wonderful Mom and Dad's passing. I remember with fondness their kindness to me during our high school years. Tim Petee

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**Tim Petee** - February 09, 2021 at 10:48 PM

AD

“ I was saddened to read of Marilyn's death. I am so sorry you lost you mother and father so recently.  
I was in the Libbey class of 1948. we went to U.T/ together, and our first teaching assignment was at Walbridge. Please accept my sincere condolences and prayers.  
Love,  
Aggie Drury

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**Aggie Drury** - February 09, 2021 at 10:12 AM

PB

“ *Linda, remembering your Mother from our early days at Laurel Hill.*

*Pat Birney*

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**Pat Birney** - February 09, 2021 at 09:47 AM

CG

“ *Christine Grant sent a virtual gift in memory of Marilyn Joyce Schultz*



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**Christine Grant** - February 08, 2021 at 04:01 PM

CG

*She was my third grade teacher at Walbridge School and I loved her. She taught us about grammar, science, and arithmetic, but most of all she taught us manners, respect, and how to "be nice". She always encouraged us and had a very lovely smile. I will never forget her and her beauty, both inside and out. May your wonderful memories bring you comfort in the days to come.*

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**Christine Grant** - February 08, 2021 at 04:07 PM

JE

“ Hello, Susan and Lindy, this is Jennifer/ Jenny, your babysitter from years ago. I lived around the corner. I am so so sorry you have lost both your parents. I babysat a lot but my favorite place was your house. You had such wonderful kind parents. They even introduced me to the first prototype of a microwave and treated me as a trusted person . I loved your mom’s smile. She always smiled. I remember her famous bun. Your parents were most kind and it was demonstrated in you girls and how great you were to care for. It was just the sort of house I desired to have when I grew up. I was lucky to know you all and be a part of your life. I remember you all fondly and pray for your family. God bless!

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jennifer - February 07, 2021 at 12:24 PM

PC

“ Mrs. Schultz ( as I called her even though as an adult she would always tell me to call her Marilyn) was my 3rd grade teacher at Walbridge grade school in Toledo, Ohio. After all my years in school I have always referred to her as "my favorite teacher". She was a lot of fun but more importantly she taught me well. I have, to this day, such great memories of being in her class. As an adult, I would see her occasionally while shopping or the hair dresser. She always knew who I was and we would have a nice conversation. I realized one day that I hadn't seen her anywhere and figured she had moved from the area. Several years ago, she read an obit and the condolences in the Blade of which I had written one. She emailed me and I was so surprised and thankful that she did. We had wonderful correspondences. We talked about when I was in her class and we both remembered so much. I am so very sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful person.

*Sincerest sympathy,*

*Pat Holtfreter Colter*

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Patricia A Colter - February 04, 2021 at 01:25 PM

PN

*My most sincere condolences to Marylin's family. My prayers go out for you and Marylin. I have known Marylin since we were very young. We were good friends through high school at Libbey and our college years. We stayed in touch over the years until she moved to Florida. I lost track of her after that. We enjoyed Latin class and laughter. She was a delightful friend and I will always remember her!*  
*Patricia (Nagel) Netz*

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**Patricia Netz** - February 07, 2021 at 02:38 PM