



Wanda M. Bartch

October 9, 1924 - December 15, 2021

Wanda M. Bartch, 97, Elizabethtown, PA, passed away at Oak Leaf Manor North on Wednesday, December 15, 2021. She was the widow of the late Abram E. Geltmacher, who passed away in 1989. She later married the late Harry M. Bartch, who passed away in 2003. Born on October 9, 1924, in Nicholas County, Kentucky, she was the daughter of the late James Burroughs and Pansy June (Ewell) Gillespie.

Wanda moved to Lancaster County in 1952 and married Abram E. Geltmacher in 1956. She worked for the former AMP, Inc. from 1956 until retiring in 1970. Upon retiring, Wanda and Abram moved to Huntsville, Alabama, and resided there for twenty-one years. She was a member of Faith Bible Church, Mount Joy. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and had many close friends. She enjoyed reading, working in the yard and around the house.

She is survived by two children: Brenda K. Hess, wife of Kenneth, of Elizabethtown and James P. Gray husband of Donna of Manheim, three grandchildren: Valerie Romano Marks (Steve), Duane Gray, Jodi Gray Lucka (Douglas); six great-grandchildren: Zachary, Samatha and Cameron Marks, Kimberly Gray Silva (Kevin), Nikki Gray O'Hara (Lawrence), Andrew Lucka; and two great-great-grandchildren, Emma and Addilynn Silva.

She was preceded in death by a great-grandson, Luke Gray.

Graveside services will be private at the convenience of the family at the Mount Joy Cemetery, with Pastor Shawn Madrid officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Faith Bible Church, 2075 Harrisburg Avenue, Mount Joy, PA 17552.

Tribute Wall

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“ *What a joy it was to have known this special lady. There was a unique connection that we had with her. We now live on the land where she grew up in Bourbon County, Kentucky. Because of that, we shared a special bond which led to a friendship with her son, Jim and her great grandson, Andrew. The stories she told and the pictures she left us of her time on the farm will be treasured. Truly thankful that our lives crossed paths. She'll be missed.*
Judy and Joel Schoolar

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“ *She was a dear sweet lady that I loved like my second mom. My thoughts and prayers to her family.*

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“ *Wanda was one of the kindest people I have ever met. Her smile was contagious and her positivity & spirit were truly inspirational. I am very thankful for having a chance to have gotten to know her.*

Chris - December 18, 2021 at 11:44 PM

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“ *My deepest and sincerest condolences to her family!!! I loved her like my own grandmother!! It was a blessing to meet her and have her in my life, even for a short time!!! She will always be my sweet pea!!! It was a blessing to meet Jim and be able to talk to Jody. She will be deeply missed by everyone!!! I pray for your healing thru this sad time!!!*



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