



Ruth Dunkelberger Eby

October 11, 1920 - August 13, 2022

Ruth Dunkelberger (Crozier) Eby, of New Bloomfield, went home to her Lord Saturday August 13, 2022. She left this world peacefully and humbly, the same as she lived for 101 years.

She was born October 11, 1920 on the family farm near Landisburg, a daughter of Charles and Annie Crozier.

Ruth was married for 47 years to Eugene E. Eby, also born in Landisburg, and preceded her in death in 1989.

Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers Harry and George Crozier, and sisters Mary (Van Marter), Hazel (Dum), Maude (Eby), Katherine (Kerr), Florence (Rice), twin sister Ann (Kerr) and Dorothy (Rice). She was truly the last survivor in her generation of both great Perry County families.

She is survived by her sons Samuel W. (Leslie) of York, David E. (Lynn) Centennial CO, and Gary R. (Polly) of New Bloomfield. Also surviving are grandchildren Colin, Christian, Matthew, Rebecca, Joseph, and Mitchell Eby, Angela Heath, Ashley Dougherty, and Austin Rickrode. She also had fourteen great grand-children and a host of nephews and nieces.

Ruth was a 1941 graduate of the Polyclinic School of Nursing, and practiced in that field prior to earning her Bachelor and Master Degrees that would take 19 years studying when time and family, which always came first, allowed.

She was the last teacher that taught in a one room school house in this region when it closed in 1975. She continued teaching for a total of 27 years, and

was a recognized pioneer in teaching individuals with developmental disabilities.

She was instrumental in assisting her husband writing "Perry County Grist Mills" published in 1978. She was also the co-author of an unpublished work, "Legacy of Love", the history of the Trinity German Reformed Church, New Bloomfield.

She not only was an avid reader, but she wrote lengthy reviews that were revisited for constant inspiration. She was a passionate gardener, sharing its produce to all. She also got great satisfaction in making genealogy discoveries with The Perry Historians.

She was very active in the lives of her extended families, always at the ready with her trusty camera. Her devoted church life started with baptism, confirmation and marriage at Mt. Zion Lutheran. Upon relocating to New Bloomfield, she became a faithful member and served on Consistory of Trinity United Church of Christ. For the last six years she was active with the spiritual leadership offered at Messiah Lifeways.

The family invites her hosts of friends and family who were a part of her long prosperous life, for a time to visit and share with her family Monday August 22, 2022 at The Perry Mennonite Center, 350 Green Park Rd., Ellittsburg from 11:00AM until 1:00PM. Her celebration of life will take place immediately after, the Rev. Georgia Markey officiating. Interment will be at the New Bloomfield Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

The family sincerely thanks the entire staff at Messiah Lifeways that afforded her six wonderful years of a dignified quality of life.

For those that would rather give a memorial, rather than a floral tribute, we suggest The Perry Historians, 763 Dix Hill Rd., New Bloomfield, PA 17068 or Homeland Hospice, 2300 Vartan Way, Suite 270, Harrisburg PA 17110-9720.

Cemetery Details

Bloomfield Cemetery

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 22. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Mennonite Center
350 Green Park Road
Elliottsburg, PA

Memorial Service

AUG 22. 1:00 PM (ET)

Mennonite Center
350 Green Park Road
Elliottsburg, PA

Tribute Wall



“ *Boyer Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Dunkelberger Eby*



Boyer Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc - August 17, 2022 at 02:20 PM

 Colin Eby

“ *What a truly remarkable life. I'm grateful I had a chance to tell her how much I loved her. My one true regret is I should have also told her how proud of her I am. Mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, nurse, teacher, scholar, carer, historian, gardener and queen of the yard sales. Such a ray of light, positive soul and so full of love. Nana, I'm so proud of you! I loved you so much! And how I miss you.... And thank you for ... just everything.*



Colin Eby - August 22, 2022 at 12:50 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Dunkelberger Eby.*



August 18, 2022 at 04:14 PM



“ *Miss Ruth was such a lovely and caring woman. I so admired her. She will be sadly missed. God Bless her family in this time of loss.*

Bonnie Heisey - August 18, 2022 at 12:35 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Dunkelberger Eby.*



August 17, 2022 at 10:01 PM



“ *Tom and Mary Chidsey purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Ruth Dunkelberger Eby.*



Tom and Mary Chidsey - August 17, 2022 at 09:46 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Ruth Dunkelberger Eby.*



August 17, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *52 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Boyer Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc - August 17, 2022 at 02:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth Dunkelberger Eby.*



August 17, 2022 at 10:25 AM

DA

“ *Dennis And Ruth Askins lit a candle in memory of Ruth Dunkelberger Eby*



Dennis and Ruth Askins - August 15, 2022 at 02:08 PM

DA

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family for the loss of your mother Gary.

Dennis and Ruth Askins - August 15, 2022 at 02:10 PM

FR

All my memories of you are good ones. You will always be “Nana “ and remembered as one who treated me like your own daughter. Your positive attitudes and tenacity made you the best of supporters for so many . Your accomplishments were multiple, but most important, you were a force for positive energy in this world. (Judith) Feather-Redfox

Feather Redfox - August 24, 2022 at 04:53 PM