



Mary E. Brown

June 2, 1926 - October 22, 2016

Mary Edith Brown, 90, a long time Hagerstown resident, died at her home in Richmond on Saturday, October 22, 2016.

She was born in Flatrock, Indiana, in Shelby County on June 2, 1926 to John and Addie Sweat. Following graduation from Kennard High School in 1944, she worked at Reiner's Grocery and Sears in New Castle. She later worked at the Delco Remy plant in Anderson and then for 27 years at Dana in Hagerstown where she was in Quality Control.

Mary married Roy W. Brown on April 30, 1949 and they were married until his death in February of 2015. Together, Mary & Roy were active for many years in politics, working hard to support candidates they believed in such as Congressman David MacIntosh. Mary was proud to have met many prominent Republicans including former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich and Ohio governor John Kasich.

A born homemaker, Mary loved to sew and created many beautiful dresses for her daughter when she was a little girl and also made curtains in practically every house she lived in over the years. Mary also loved to bake and her kids remember that the large brown ceramic cookie jar in their kitchen was always filled with their mother's oatmeal, peanut butter or chocolate chip cookies for after school treats. In addition, Mary's pies were legendary, especially her amazing apple pie. She would happily share her recipes, but no one seemed to be able to make the pies half as well as Mary did. Mary also made fabulous

soups, and her split pea soup and beef vegetable soup were enjoyed countless times by family and friends. At Christmas she always made Bourbon Balls, and those who were fortunate enough to get some as a gift asked for more next Christmas. Before anyone had ever heard of Martha Stewart, Mary often purchased what seemed to be old, ruined furniture at garage sales, and through much hard work would turn used items into beautiful antiques that were admired by all who visited her home. An expert wallpaperer, Mary not only adorned walls in her own homes but was always willing to help out friends and family members by working alongside them in hanging wallpaper.

Mary took up oil painting in the early 1960s and went on to produce many paintings over the years, even selling some to friends and strangers. She loved vibrant colors, and her favorite subjects were sunflowers and farm scenes that reminded her of her childhood days.

Travel was another one of Mary's favorite things to do. Her favorite place to visit was Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, where she was always up before everyone else to walk in solitude on the beach. She also enjoyed visits to Disney World, Washington DC, New York City, New Jersey, Savannah and Baltimore with her family.

Mary also loved to play Euchre and was an avid reader until her eyesight failed her in her mid 80s.

Mary was pre-deceased by her parents, her sisters, Betty Anderson and Roberta Jay, and her husband. She is survived by her son George (Lois) of Richmond, daughter Marilyn Clark (Tom) of Cincinnati, granddaughter Julie Stewart (Jeff) of Cincinnati, grandson Brian Clark (Linda) of Cincinnati and great-grandsons Thomas, John, Daniel and Jacob Stewart. She is also survived by a step-grandson Doug Owens (Brooke) and step-great granddaughter Sydney Owens of Richmond. Mary was a firm believer in God and Jesus Christ with whom she will spend eternity.

Visitation will be 2:30 to 3:30 PM on Wednesday, October 26, at Culberson Funeral Home, Hagerstown. Services will follow at 3:30 PM. Pastor Bob Clark

will officiate. Burial will be in West Lawn Cemetery.
Memorials may be made to Wounded Warrior Project.

Cemetery Details

West Lawn Cemetery

400 West High St.
Hagerstown, IN 47346
(765) 489-6171

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **26**. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



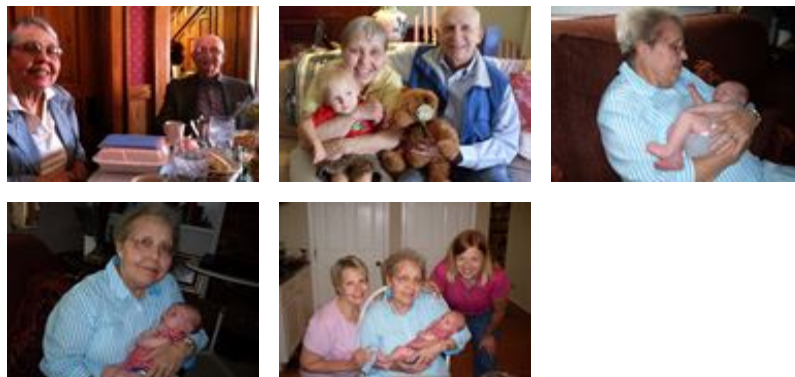
“ *Culberson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary E. Brown*



Culberson Funeral Home - October 24, 2016 at 11:34 PM



“ *24 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Culberson Funeral Home - October 25, 2016 at 11:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary E. Brown.*



October 25, 2016 at 07:32 PM

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“ *Deb And Craig Strickler lit a candle in memory of Mary E. Brown*



Deb and Craig Strickler - October 25, 2016 at 09:59 AM

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We send our thoughts and prayers to you Marilyn and to the rest of your family as well. Be comforted in the fact that she is with your Dad now and they are both watching over you.

Deb and Craig Strickler - October 25, 2016 at 10:01 AM



“ *53 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Culberson Funeral Home - October 24, 2016 at 11:17 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary E. Brown.*



October 24, 2016 at 02:10 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mary E. Brown.*



October 24, 2016 at 11:29 AM



“ *Aunt Mary loved to spend time with her family, both close family like her sisters and more distant family like me, her great niece. She also loved to joke around with her husband, Roy. They told funny and corny jokes that made anyone laugh. I am grateful to have had Mary as my great aunt and look forward to seeing her in heaven.*

Juliet Nguyen - October 23, 2016 at 07:37 PM