



Mrs. Ruby E. Bauer

August 19, 1923 - September 3, 2019

Ruby (Barton) Bauer died peacefully on September 3, 2019 in Edina MN at the age of 96. Until being hospitalized on Friday August 23 she was living in her own apartment in Edinborough Park. Although born in Detroit Michigan, she grew up in Barron WI, daughter of Leo and Elvira Barton. Her mother contracted tuberculosis and died when Ruby was 4 and her paternal grandparents William and Clara Barton raised her. Her father Leo later married again. After graduating high school in Barron, she went to Eau Claire Teachers College for one year until, sadly, funds ran out, which was one of the biggest disappointments of her life. After returning to Barron she worked at the turkey plant which had been sequestered for munitions making during the war, among other secretarial and library positions there and later worked as a medical transcriptionist for years in Minneapolis. She met a visiting seminary student, Fred Bauer (deceased 2008) at her church in Barron. Their friendship grew into marriage in 1948 which entailed a move to MN and brought 5 children into the world all of whom survive her: Ruth Matthews (Rod), Mark (Lenore), Dave (Mary), John (Lydia), and Philip (Kimberley). She is also grandmother of Melissa, Jaime, Julian, Tim, Ben and great grandmother of nine. Ruby is also survived by one half sister, Shirley Pimple of Barron WI.

Hers was a long and remarkably healthy life. An avid reader and writer, Ruby spent much time in her retirement years tutoring reading to elementary school students and writing fiction. Her love of learning was passed down through the

generations--four of her grandchildren have gone on to advanced degrees and the youngest is still studying. She was very proud of that. Our memories of her will always include the phrases "So what's the plan?" and "We'll see" as well her confidence that this life was only a practice run for a better one to come.

The memorial service will be held Sunday, September 22, 2019 at 2 p.m. with visitation one hour prior at Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 9100 Russell Ave So, Bloomington. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to a favorite charity of Ruby's, the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Hillcrest United Methodist Church
9100 Russell Avenue South
Bloomington, MN 55431

Memorial Service

SEP **22**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruby E. Bauer.*



September 18, 2019 at 02:41 PM



“ *Dear Family and Friends, It was our privilege to provide care for Ruby. We share in your grief and send our love.*

Your Friends at Little Hospice

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