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Roberta C. Ayris of Cape Coral, Florida passed away with her loving family by her side on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 following a recent illness. She was 71 years old. Roberta was born on September 24, 1944 in Evanston, Illinois, the beautiful daughter of Helen C. (Nepomuck) and Paul F. Hammelman. For many years she was an Administrative Secretary in the Healthcare field before relocating to Southwest Florida in 2014. She leaves to cherish her loving memory her daughters Jamie Francisco (Jim) of Cape Coral, FL and JoAnn Girard (Jeff) of St. Louis, MI; nine beautiful grandchildren; her sisters Marge Vavrick of Algonquin, IL and Carol White (Lee) of Battle Creek, MI; brothers Paul Hammelman (Andra) of Romeoville, IL and Larry Hammelman (Irene) of Osprey, FL. She also leaves behind a multitude of extended family members and many more people who were proud to call her a friend. Sadly, she was preceded in death by her loving husband James Ayris who passed away in 2012. A Memorial Service for Roberta will be celebrated at 3:00 PM on Sunday, April 17, 2016 by Pastor Taylor Foley at the Cape Coral Campus of Grace United Methodist Church, 13 SE 21st Place, Cape Coral, FL 33990, (239) 574-7161. Arrangements for Roberta's final care have been entrusted to Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, 1589 Colonial Boulevard, Fort Myers, Florida 33907, (239) 936-0555. Those who would like to share a story, leave a tribute or offer condolences to the family at this difficult time are encouraged to visit Roberta's memorial webpage at www.fortmyersmemorial.com and sign her guestbook.



Tribute Wall

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BS

Bill Schroeder posted:

Sorry to hear about the loss of your Mother. My prayers and sympathy to your family at this time. From your Mother's first cousin, Bill Schroeder, from Edwardsport, IN.

April 18 at 5:43 PM

SE

Sue Edmonds posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Roberta C. Ayris

April 17 at 3:36 PM

JD

Judy Durham posted:

So sorry to hear of Berts passing. We loved her and Jim very much.

April 17 at 3:05 PM

ST

Sherrie Teall posted:

I remember going to sleepovers and halloween parties as a child. It was so much fun, jamie, your mom was always smiling and laughing at us crazy girls. I have fond memories of those days. And more recently i've enjoyed seeing pictures of her on fb having the time of her life in florida, at the beach, at disney. I can't believe she's gone. Rip bert...

April 17 at 2:09 PM

EH

Edgar Dean Hammelman posted:

Have fond memories of Roberta when she and her family would visit the Hammelman Family Farm in Edwardsport, Indiana. She would come with her parents Paul and Helen Hammelman, her sisters Marge and Carol, and her brothers Paul and Larry. Together with my parents Edgar and Alice Hammelman and my brothers Jerry and Ronnie, we spent many days roaming the farm, taking care of animals, and doing chores. Roberta was always energetic, and happy to experience the environment of Farm life. May God be with her family during this time of sorrow. Edgar Dean Hammelman

April 17 at 1:38 PM



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ST

Shannon Tripp posted:

I'm so sad to read this, but happy that she is reunited with her husband. Roberta was a wonderful woman. She was my first "boss". I did vocational at the hospital and she was the one that I worked closely with and she showed me the ropes. When I was done, she told me if I ever needed a reference she would be glad to give me one. She knew my grandmother, she was an amazing woman.

April 15 at 7:40 PM

RG

Ricky Geiger posted:

Sorry we can't be there, will be there in mind and soul. Had great times growing up with Jim & Bert, Jamie, JoAnn, always hanging out, our parents playing cards. Fun times!! Rick&Kim Geiger

April 15 at 2:18 PM

SA

Sandee Acton posted:

So many, many memories...the laughter and tears shared at GCH. I am so glad that she found some happiness in Florida after losing Jim but sad that her time with her family was cut short. Rest in peace Bertie, you've earned it. Sandee Acton

April 15 at 9:59 AM

SA

Sue Apple posted:

Jaimie, So sorry to hear of your mom's passing. She was always such a sweet lady and I loved crossing paths with her at Gratiot. Thoughts and prayers to you and your family ❤️❤️ Sue Apple

April 15 at 9:10 AM

LC

Linda Cook posted:

I enjoyed many many many lunch's with Bert at the hospital. It was a different time back then. We share our family good times and bad times over a tuna sandwich. We laughed and cried and told a joke or two good and bad. We swore under our breath and smiled at the same time (Bert was a pro at that.) I felt very lucky to have her friendship. May God hold you in the palm of His hand during this time. May your memories sustain you during this difficult time.

April 15 at 8:10 AM



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LW

Lee & Carol White posted:

Lee and I dearly loved Roberta, better known as Bert, Bertie or Bertrum to us. We look at her smiling face in all our photos of her and her family and friends. Many memories flood our minds from all the happy times we shared with her. We will never forget spending our vacations at her Indian Lake home, We had fun fishing, swimming, playing cards, blackberry picking, and enjoying her wonderful meals. She was a great cook and loved to make homemade salsa, which she gave as gifts to family and friends. She was very loving, kind and always cared for the needs of her family and friends. May God grant her eternal rest, and let perpetual light shine upon her in God's heavenly kingdom. Love, Carol and Lee White (Roberta's sister and brother-in-law).

April 14 at 7:28 PM

CW

Curt N Ashlee White posted:

I remember spending time at your house as a child. You were always my favorite!! You will be missed by so many. Fly high and rest in peace xoxo Love Ashlee

April 14 at 4:58 PM

PA

Penny Anderson posted:

JoAnn, please know that you and your family are held dearly in my thoughts and prayers. I did not have the pleasure of knowing your mother personally, but I feel I have a good sense of how special she must have been by knowing you. Beautiful people with generous spirits are not an accident of nature. I'm sure your Mom had something to do with it. That kind of heart and soul does not pass away. It lives on in you and those you love.

April 14 at 4:12 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Roberta by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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