



# Laura Friedareka Wilbur

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**L**aura Friedareka Eschman Wilbur, 81, of Dresden, Ohio died Sunday morning, October 31, 2021 at the Genesis Morrison House Hospice, Zanesville, Ohio.

Born April 24, 1940 in Zanesville, she was a daughter of the late William Herman and Ula Mae (Little) Eschman and was a 1958 graduate of Dresden Jefferson High School. Laura earned her nursing certification at Good Samaritan Hospital and later went on to earn her Bachelor of Science in Nursing and her Master's in Literature from Ohio University. She worked as a registered nurse for many years at Good Samaritan and was the head of the nursing program at Mid-East Career and Technology Center. She was also the Director of The Longaberger Health Clinic. Laura enjoyed square dancing, reading and gardening. She took pride in living on the family farm that has been part of her family's history for over 100 years and four generations.

Surviving are her two daughters, Tami Longaberger of Alexandria, Virginia and Rachel (Todd) Stukeley of Bexley, Ohio; eight grandchildren, Matthew Kaido, Claire Kaido, Kaitlin Schmidt, Dustin (Heather) Schmidt, Benjamin (Katherine) Schmidt, Rose Thomas, Isabelle Stukeley and J. T. Stukeley; four great grandchildren, Eva Carter, Stella Carter, Eira Carter and Huxley Schmidt. Also surviving is a dear friend of 75 years, Ruth Cunningham, of Dresden; a step-son, Jeff Wilbur and a cousin, Patti Ring Myers.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband, David W. Longaberger and later married Jim Wilbur, who died July 13, 2014.

Friends and family may call from 10am until the time of service, which will be 11:00am Thursday, November 4, 2021 at the Dresden Chapel of Vensil & Chute Funeral Home, 714 Main Street with Pastor Dan Wells officiating.



## Tribute Wall

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SW

**Sheryl Williams** posted:

Deepest sympathies to family and friends of Laura, a kind, beautiful person and fellow JHS grad.  
Sheryl Starner Williams

January 8 at 12:03 PM

BY

**Bobbi Young** posted:

Tami, Rachel and family, I am so sorry for the loss of your beloved Mother and Grandmother. She was one of the kindest women that I have ever known. May your many memories carry you through this difficult time

November 14 at 4:30 PM

BC

**Bonnie Callahan** posted:

Tami and Rachel, We were sorry to hear of your mom's passing. Our thoughts are with you and your families Tim and Bonnie Callahan

November 6 at 3:07 PM

RS

**Rita Saunders** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Mrs Wilbur was a kind soul. She was my director when I was in nursing school. Her door was always open.

November 5 at 10:47 AM

EB

**Ed & Carol Burns** posted:

Laura was a dear sweet soul! We only knew her at Primrose where she was loved! We will miss her quiet sweet nature & miss her being with us! We now know from reading her obituary what a smart vital capable lady she was! She now is at peace & at rest! May God make her whole again!  
Condolences to the family!

November 4 at 3:34 AM



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MM

**Marsha Mcgee** posted:

I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother. She was a dear friend of mine and I have a lot of good memories of working with her and traveling to local, state & national nursing conferences. Such a nice person, always thinking of others. I'm so thankful I had her as a friend.

November 3 at 9:22 AM

MT

**Michael Tomczak** posted:

Certainly enjoyed every minute with Laura throughout my visits to Zanesville. Delightful, informative and soft spoken, with an eye for nature's beauty is the memory I'll carry forward!! Thank you for the many blessings and acts of kindness, you've shared with others. RIP Laura.

November 3 at 2:17 AM

JB

**Jim Boyd** posted:

We knew Laura from our days square dancing with her and Jim. She was such a nice lady. With our sincere sympathy to you two girls and all of your family. Jim and Patty Boyd

November 2 at 12:32 PM

CH

**Chester Honaker** posted:

Laura is very much missed. Best wishes to ask of her family.

November 2 at 7:27 AM

CB

**Carolyn Baker** posted:

My deepest sympathy to the family for this loss. Prayers that God will comfort those who mourn.

November 2 at 1:29 AM

CL

**Cindi Land** posted:

Tami & Rachel. I was saddened to hear of your mother's passing. She was a wonderful woman. Prayers for peace and comfort during this time of mourning for you both.

November 1 at 11:35 PM



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RP

**Rick And Becky Martin Priest** posted:

Our sincere sympathy to your family

November 1 at 8:05 AM

VV

**Vicky Vicky** posted:

So very sorry of your Moms passing. Your Mom is with the Lord, the Lord will keep her safe in his care. Sending your family my Love and Hugs.

November 1 at 7:25 AM

BS

**Becky Stafford** posted:

Tami and Rachel, I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Your family's are in my thoughts and prayers.

November 1 at 7:09 AM

JG

**Janet Hains-Griesen** posted:

Condolence to the family. Rest in peace classmate.

November 1 at 5:25 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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