



Obituary

Born: Wednesday, September 11, 1929

Died: Monday, November 18, 2019

Come, little leaves," said the wind one day,
"Come over the meadows with me and play.
Put on your dresses of red and gold, —
For summer is gone, and the days grow cold."
Soon as the leaves heard the wind's loud call,
Down they came fluttering one and all.
Over the brown fields they danced and flew,
Singing the soft little songs they knew.
"Cricket, good bye, we've been friends for so long,
Little brook, sing us your farewell song;
Say you are sorry to see us go:
ah, you will miss us, right well we know.
"Dear little lambs in your fleecy fold,
Mother will keep you from harm and cold;
Fondly we watched you in vale and glade,
Say, will you dream of our loving shade?"
Dancing and whirling, the little leaves went;
Winter had called them, and they were content;
Soon fast asleep in their earthy beds,
The snow laid a coverlet over their heads.

Service Summary

Visitation

9:30 AM to 10:00 AM, Wed Nov 27,
2019

St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Catholic Church

4201 Heatherdowns Blvd.
Toledo, Ohio 43614

Funeral Mass

10:00 AM Wed Nov 27, 2019

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After 90 years providing a wonderful example of selfless giving of self and love, Ruth Joan Posadny (Loveberry) died on Sunday, November 17, 2019 in her home surrounded by her four children. She was born Ruth Joan Loveberry, on September 11, 1929 to Clifford and Ruth (Brown) Loveberry, in Quincy Michigan. A lover of everything to do with nature and the outdoors, Joan much preferred to spend her early years out in the barn at the family farm with her brothers Jr., Jim or Jon, or paling around with her sisters Jackie and Janet, or climbing windmills to escape having to cook or do other household chores.

She graduated from Quincy High School in 1937, and even though her early years found her living in such larger cities as Indianapolis and Toledo, she remained a country girl at heart. She married Arthur Posadny in 1949, and while she continued to detest housework, one never would have guessed it by the impeccably clean and tidy house she kept and the many wonderful meals she so lovingly prepared for her family, which in addition to her husband, included daughters Karen (Chris) Waite (Toledo) and Chrissie (Patrick) Fahey (Cleveland), and sons Michael (Connie) and Jimmy (Toledo).

She was an avid gardener, took time to read to her children and was ahead of her time in her love of exercising and fitness, which, together with her stubbornness, undoubtedly contributed to her longevity. She was a devout Catholic (she and her husband Art were a founding couple of St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Parish in Toledo, Ohio) and absolutely loved

everything to do with Christmas, as any Loveberry would! As her family grew to include 13 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren, she loved preparing delectable feasts around the holidays, lavishing everyone with heartfelt gifts, baking with them at Christmastime, teaching them how to distinguish different types of flowers, trees, and birds, spoiling them with treats of ice cream (in bed no less!) as well as taking them on walks at her beloved Swan Creek Metropark, where she walked with many dear friends throughout the years and was a member of the "Daybreaker's Club." She will always be remembered for her loving guidance, patience, and selflessness, as well as her warm smile, infectious laugh, unique sense of humor, and love of sharing stories of her life on the farm or singing songs from days gone by.

One of her favorite gifts to give at Christmas was a calendar, carefully selected especially for each recipient. While her family will miss her deeply and receiving these highly anticipated charts from her, we will always cherish the countless days, weeks, months and years spent together, especially these cherished ten months of "bonus time" for which we are all so thankful. We also are ever so grateful of all the wonderful assistance of the Hospice of Northwest Ohio, especially the direct care team under the supervision of Nita, who so lovingly assisted her and the entire family throughout these last ten months.

A funeral mass will be held at St. Patrick of Heatherdowns on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. with graveside service afterwards at Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to Hospice of Northwest Ohio.