



## Barbara J. Gillum

September 16, 1935 - August 25, 2020

Barbara June Gillum, 84 of Warren and formerly of Bluffton, went to be with her Lord on Tuesday evening, August 25, 2020, at Heritage Pointe in Warren. Barbara was born on September 16, 1935 in Richmond, Indiana to Irl Walker & Wilma (Petro) Walker.

She graduated from Pennville High School. She received her Associates in Nursing from Northwestern in Chicago, and received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Purdue Fort Wayne. Barbara worked as a Registered Nurse and Director of Education at Caylor-Nickel for 38 years. Barbara was a longtime member of Hope Missionary Church.

On May 11, 1957 in Bluffton, Barbara married her high school sweetheart, Jerry C. Gillum. Together they shared 61 years of marriage, until his death on April 26, 2018.

She enjoyed camping, reading, crossword puzzles and being with her friends from Hope Church.

Survivors include her children; Tamara (Donny) Wall of Huntington, Jeffrey Gillum of Lancaster, Ohio, Michael (Karen) Gillum of Florida and Tonya (Ed) Birkey of Leo, along with 6 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Barbara is preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Jerry.

Funeral services for Barbara will be held at 10am on Monday August 31, 2020 at Hope Missionary Church in Bluffton. Pastor Gary Aupperle will officiate.

Entombment will follow at the Northridge Mausoleum at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton.

Calling hours will be held from 4pm – 7pm Sunday, August 30, 2020 at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Heritage Pointe or Alzheimer's Association.

The safety of the family and all visitors is our utmost priority. For everyone's safety, we ask that you practice social distancing. Masks are required for visitation and for Barbara's service at the church. We appreciate your cooperation and patience.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Northridge Community Mausoleum located in Fairview Cemetery

3101 East St. Rd. 124  
Bluffton, In

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 30.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Service

**AUG 31.** 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Barbara J. Gillum*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - August 30, 2020 at 03:10 PM



“ *Barbara J. Gillum*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I would like to extend condolences to Barb's family. I worked with Barb for many years at Caylor-Nickel Medical Center and really appreciated her friendship and mentoring. She was such a special lady! She will be greatly missed!*

*Larry Reed*

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**Larry Reed** - August 30, 2020 at 05:19 PM



“ *Dear Gillum family, I'm so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. My heart and prayers go out to you all. May God grant you peace and comfort during this difficult time. My deepest sympathy, Ellen (Vaughn) Hobbs*



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**Ellen (Vaughn) Hobbs** - August 29, 2020 at 08:11 PM



“ 67 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - August 29, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Gillum.*



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August 29, 2020 at 09:44 AM



“ *Janice Cooley and Cooley/Rusert/Benson families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barbara J. Gillum.*



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**Janice Cooley and Cooley/Rusert/Benson families** - August 28, 2020 at 04:30 PM

TL

“ Tom & Joyce Leffel lit a candle in memory of Barbara J. Gillum



Tom & Joyce Leffel - August 28, 2020 at 01:17 PM

WD

“ Wes and Debbie Dodge purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Barbara J. Gillum.



Wes and Debbie Dodge - August 28, 2020 at 12:56 PM

JF

“ Jeannie Flowers lit a candle in memory of Barbara J. Gillum



jeannie Flowers - August 26, 2020 at 09:07 AM