



Marguerite Yvonne Gardner

August 16, 1921 - March 16, 2018

Marguerite Y. Gardner of Easton, MD, went home to be with her Lord and Savior and Heavenly Family on Friday, March 16, 2018.

Marguerite was born in Bangor, Northern Ireland, on August 16, 1921, to the late Edward and Clara (Warburton) Blackburn. She attended public schools and graduated from Bangor Technical College. She served in the British Army for five years during WW II and later became a shorthand typist and calisthenics instructor. In 1946, she came to America to join her husband, Sgt. Friend A. Kerns, who had served in Europe with the Third Army. She was predeceased by Friend Kerns in 1982, and in 1984, married Charles I. Gardner.

While living in Parkersburg, WV, Marguerite worked with the IRS in their invoice department. Later she was employed by the Bureau of the Public Debt as Assistant Manager of the Issues Branch for 20 years.

In Parkersburg, she was a member of the United Methodist Church, the Cunningham Bible Class, and the United Methodist Women. She served as co-leader of a GS Brownie's Troop and volunteered at the City Hospital doing nursing services.

After moving to Easton in 1984, she and her husband Charles joined St. Mark's United Methodist Church. Marguerite was a member of the Ruth's

Circle and volunteered at the Commission Shop. She was happiest when cooking, baking, and decorating for holiday meals with family and friends. Frequently, Marguerite made special birthday cakes for her children and grandchildren. She and Charles shared happy times bowling, swimming, gardening, playing pinochle, and traveling. Mrs. Gardner loved feeding birds and squirrels and was inspired by the beauty of nature in our world. Her dear family, church, and friends were a joy to her and gave her so many special memories.

Mrs. Gardner is survived by a daughter, Yvonne Bogert and her husband Randy, of Cambridge, MD; a son, Dr. Fred Kerns of Charleston, WV; grandchild Margot Tate and great granddaughter, Clara of Easton, MD; Ryan Bogert and wife Laura and great granddaughter, Isla, of San Francisco, CA; Anne Povaszay and husband Zoli of Charlottesville, VA; Dr. Abigail Kerns of Morgantown, WV; a step daughter-in-law, Karen Gardner and grandchildren and great grandchildren in Rockford, IL; sister-in-law Maureen Blackburn of Belfast, N. Ireland; and many beloved nieces and nephews in the US and Northern Ireland. Marguerite was predeceased by her husband, Charles Gardner; sister, Stella Johnson; brother, Teddy Blackburn; and stepson, Tom Gardner

Services will be held at St. Mark's United Methodist Church of Easton, MD, on Saturday, May 19 at 12 p.m. Friends may visit one hour prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Talbot Hospice House or St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Park

11365 Ocean Gateway
Easton, MD 21601

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **19**. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mark's United Methodist Church
100 Peach Blossom Road
Easton, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Marguerite Yvonne Gardner* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - May 17, 2018 at 03:39 PM



“ *Marguerite Yvonne Gardner* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Marguerite Yvonne Gardner* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Marguerite Yvonne Gardner* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

JC

“ Marguerite was a dear friend for many years. We met her when we moved to the Eastern Shore in 1989. She always had a smile and a sparkle in her eye. Later, life's experiences brought us to North Carolina but we kept in touch. Eventually we did not get replies to our letters nor answers to our phone calls and we suspected her health was failing. We recently checked the Star Democrat online for news of the area as we only occasionally do. We had not received any word about her but thankfully saw her obituary. We have fond memories of Marguerite. She was a true Lady - a rare commodity these days.

June Clancy - April 12, 2018 at 11:08 AM

AW

“ Condolences to all the Gardner Family.
It was a joy to know Marguerite. Her brilliant, serene smile and gracious and fun loving manner will always be a treasured memory to me. A "fellow" Irishwoman, Adrienne Wafer

adrienne wafer - March 27, 2018 at 02:26 PM

HS

“ A truly kind and classy Lady

H.D.Stoker

H D Stoker - March 25, 2018 at 10:31 AM

TF

“ The Blackburn Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Marguerite Yvonne Gardner.



The Blackburn Family - March 21, 2018 at 06:26 PM