



## Rebecca Ann Neff

June 14, 1942 - February 25, 2026

Rebecca “Becky” Ann (Bragg) Neff went to be with the Lord on February 25, 2026 at the age of 83, following an unexpected passing. Born in Cambridge, Ohio, to Ernest and Helen Bragg, Becky was the second of three children. She was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend whose gentle spirit touched countless lives.

She is survived by her daughter, Kristina (Adam) Renner; her cherished granddaughters, Elizabeth and Catherine; her sister, Sandra Gray; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband of 48 years, Arthur “Art” Neff; her parents; and her brother, Arthur Bragg.

Becky graduated from Cambridge High School in 1960. As a child, she loved playing the piano. She spent countless hours at the keys, practicing with determination and joy. During high school she discovered her remarkable gift for typing at exceptional speed. She worked for Ohio Power for many years before becoming a typist for The Daily Jeffersonian newspaper. Her skills later took her west to Idaho, where she continued her newspaper work. In Dallas, she typed contracts for multiple oil and gas companies. Her extraordinary speed of 137 words per minute earned her the title of United States Typing Contest Champion in 1979.

In 1973, Becky married Art Neff, who was serving as an officer in the United States Air Force. Together they embraced a life of adventure, traveling the world through assignments in Virginia, Greece, Texas, California, Panama,

and Ohio.

As an officer's wife, Becky adapted with grace to the frequent moves that came every few years while forming lifelong friendships across the globe. During their time in Panama, while Art served as base commander, Becky hosted and attended official social functions and built meaningful relationships with the families stationed there while offering warmth and connection in a role that touched many.

The Air Force gave their family the opportunity to see the world, and Becky embraced every moment. She visited all 50 states, most countries in Central and South America, and much of western, southern, and northern Europe. She especially loved the mountains. The majesty of the Grand Tetons and the beauty of the Austrian Alps were among her favorite places.

Being a mother was one of Becky's greatest joys. She was an active and devoted presence throughout Kristina's childhood by serving as a homeroom mother, leading her Girl Scout troop, and participating in the school PTO. She volunteered at countless school events and activities. Becky happily embraced the role of chauffeur as well, driving Kristina to lessons, practices, and games, and cherishing the time they spent together along the way. Her only joy greater than being a mother was becoming Grandma Mimi to Elizabeth and Catherine. She adored spending time with her granddaughters by baking cookies together, browsing craft aisles for their next project, or simply sitting and talking. Those moments with them were among the happiest of her life.

Becky had a lifelong love of reading and often finished two or three books a week. She rarely went anywhere without a book in hand. She also enjoyed sewing, scrapbooking, and capturing photos of her family and the beauty she found in nature. Becky loved playing the piano, a passion that began in childhood and stayed with her throughout her life.

Becky took great pride in creating a beautifully decorated home. It was the place where memories were made and holidays were celebrated. Christmas was her favorite season, and she delighted in filling the house with themed

Christmas trees. At one point, she had nine themed Christmas trees with each one thoughtfully arranged and adorned with ornaments she had collected from around the world.

Becky was an outstanding cook and baker. Each Christmas she made at least twelve different kinds of Christmas cookies and shared them with family and friends. Her diamond shaped Texas sheet cake became a favorite at gatherings. Becky believed holidays were meant to be celebrated with abundance, and the importance of having too much food was a value she embraced wholeheartedly. She always had a homemade dessert ready for anyone who might stop by. She also made the best homemade popcorn, something she often popped for friends and family before they set off on a long trip.

Becky and Art shared a passion for caring for their yard, tending to it with pride and joy. Their home became known for its lush hostas and beautiful flowers, creating a landscape that looked like it belonged in a magazine or a park. They also enjoyed volunteering at the Bellbrook United Methodist Church, where they attended regularly, as well as the Bellbrook Museum and Historical Society.

Becky had a special love for butterflies. For those who loved her, butterflies will forever carry a deeper meaning. When you see one flutter past, may it remind you of her gentle spirit, her kindness, and the way she brought light into the lives around her. In those small, graceful wings, may you feel her presence and the enduring love she leaves behind.

A graveside service will be held at Kimbolton Cemetery on Saturday, March 14 at 1 p.m. A Celebration of Life event for family and friends will be held on Friday, March 20 from 5-7 p.m. at Connor and Koch Life Celebration Home in Bellbrook.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in her honor to the Bellbrook United Methodist Church, 47 East Franklin Street, Bellbrook, OH 45305.

Becky's online guest book and tribute wall may be viewed and signed at [www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com](http://www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Kimbolton Cemetery

8th Street Road  
Kimbolton, OH 43749

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Rebecca was a true friend. She was always kind to me and a delight to be around. She was a friend in high school and we wrote back and forth especially in later years. I am so thankful that I was able to visit with her at our last high school reunion last Sept. thinking of her family and praying for comfort and peace for the family.

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**donna Chambers Weselius** - March 09 at 01:31 PM

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“ Becky was such a sweetheart and a wonderful lady. We graduated from Cambridge High School together and know she will be greatly missed. Prayers and Love going up for her family and friends. Sandy West



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**Sandy West** - March 05 at 08:59 AM

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“ Becky and Art became our friends when we started attending church . My husband and Art worked Trustees together and did bike rides along the trail out of Bellbrook doing 30 mile Les. We spent time with them having sightseeing tours of Dayton, and eating dinner together. I met her at a farmers market when she handed me a bottle of water and invited us to church. . I was in contact with her weekly after we moved away. RIP Becky Craig and I are going to miss you and Art every day. We always Love you.



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**Martha Volpini** - March 04 at 11:32 PM