



Ruth Arlene Nichols

July 13, 1937 - April 15, 2024

Peacefully, Ruth Arlene Nichols, of Antrim, Ohio, passed away on April 15, at the age of 86.

Ruth was born in Londonderry Township, Ohio, to the late Verland and Mary (Shipley) Bond. She graduated from Madison High School, and the Office Training School of Columbus, Ohio. She married Raymond R. Nichols, on October 5, 1957. Together they built their home and developed their farm, Midnight Acres. During her time, she was an active member of the Antrim United Methodist Church, serving on committees and her long-standing role, as Treasurer.

She was kind, thoughtful, and full of grace. Her soft loving hands crocheted award-winning doilies to adorn homes, Afghans to keep family and friends warm, and she spent endless hours in the garden harvesting fruit and vegetables to provide her family with fresh homecooked meals. She filled the home with the sweet smell of cookies, cakes, and pies. Her appreciation for the outdoors and flowers were evident on the farm, as she planted and nurtured flower gardens. She loved beautiful rocks as a reminder of God in her life and as her rock. Her laugh was infectious, especially when she laughed so hard, she cried. Her joy was never ending, and her knees were worn, as she prayed for her family, friends, and the community. She gave of herself to make the lives of others better.

Ruth is survived by her children and their spouses: Randy (Patricia) Nichols, Robert (Lori) Nichols, Russell (Kelly) Nichols, and Rosemary (Dr. Duane

Maye); grandchildren: Sarah (Cam Black), Dr. Eric (Tricia) Nichols, Austin (Kelsey) Nichols, Ashlee Nichols, Katie and Jon Ross Maye; great grandchildren: Raymond and Annie Nichols, Emma and Ava Black; sister-in-laws, Donna Bond and Beverly Luyster, and brother-in-law, Ronnie Nichols, as well as several nieces, nephews and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband of 66 years, Raymond; brother, Robert Bond; and her parents Verland and Mary Bond.

Family and friends are invited to say a final goodbye at Bundy Law Funeral Home, Cambridge, Ohio, during calling hours on Friday, April 19, at 4:00-7:00 pm, and on Saturday, April 20, at 10:00 am. Funeral service will begin at 11:00 am, with the Reverend Aaron Layne, of Westerville, Ohio, officiating the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the Antrim United Methodist Church, care of Katie Larrick, 67990 Fairground Road, Lore City, Ohio 43755, or the Alzheimer's Association at this link [Make a Tribute Donation | Alzheimer's Association](#). Ruth's online tribute wall may be viewed and signed at www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Antrim Community Cemetery

Antrim, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **19**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bundy-Law Funeral Home
120 North 11th Street
Cambridge, OH 43725
(740) 432-5705
info@bundy-lawfuneralhome.com
<https://www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com>

Visitation

APR **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Services

APR **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CH

“ *Sincere condolences to Ruth's family and friends.*

Carol Ann (Deselms) and Kenny Huprich - April 20, 2024 at 08:41 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Bundy-Law Funeral Home - April 20, 2024 at 01:23 PM



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Bundy-Law Funeral Home - April 20, 2024 at 01:23 PM

KK

“ *Kermit and Tanya Kendrick purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.*



Kermit and Tanya Kendrick - April 19, 2024 at 10:33 AM

KK

“ Kermit and Tanya Kendrick planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Arlene Nichols.

Kermit and Tanya Kendrick - April 19, 2024 at 10:33 AM

DL

“ Detroit Diesel Remanufacturing LLC purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.



Detroit Diesel Remanufacturing LLC - April 19, 2024 at 09:11 AM

AW

“ Alan and Shawna Winland purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.



Alan and Shawna Winland - April 19, 2024 at 07:57 AM

AW

“ Alan and Shawna Winland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Arlene Nichols.

Alan and Shawna Winland - April 19, 2024 at 07:57 AM

TB

“ *The Bear’s Den and 360 Burger purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.*



The Bear’s Den and 360 Burger - April 19, 2024 at 07:39 AM

TB

“ *The Bear’s Den and 360 Burger planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Arlene Nichols.*

The Bear’s Den and 360 Burger - April 19, 2024 at 07:39 AM

BS

“ *Brent & Kristie Secrest purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.*



Brent & Kristie Secrest - April 18, 2024 at 08:12 PM



“ *Love’s Journey was purchased for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.*



April 18, 2024 at 04:17 PM

DF

“ Don Sample Family & Jim Sample Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Arlene Nichols.

Don Sample Family & Jim Sample Family - April 18, 2024 at 04:17 PM

YM

“ Your friend Calvin Miller purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.



Your friend Calvin Miller - April 17, 2024 at 11:32 AM

JJ

“ Randy, Patricia and family, I am so sorry to learn of Ruth's passing. You are all in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. Please draw near to God.
Your friend,
John K. Johnson
Newark, OH

John Keith Johnson - April 17, 2024 at 10:01 AM

JT

Thinking of all the family in the loss of your loved one. John @ Mary Ann (Flowers) Tidrick, James Flowers @ Tom Flowers 🌸. Prayers to all 🙏

John @ Mary Ann Tidrick - April 17, 2024 at 06:08 PM

RN

Thinking and praying for you all during this time. What a very special lady she was. Reba Norman

Reba Norman - April 18, 2024 at 01:33 PM

RJ

“ Sorry to read of Ruth’s passing

Rod Johnson - April 16, 2024 at 07:03 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.



April 16, 2024 at 01:57 PM

RS

“ Ray, Karen, Jacob & Hannah Shephard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Arlene Nichols.

Ray, Karen, Jacob & Hannah Shephard - April 16, 2024 at 01:57 PM

SF

“ Steve; Greg, & Austin Boyd Families purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.



Steve; Greg, & Austin Boyd Families - April 16, 2024 at 01:11 PM

SF

“ Steve; Greg, & Austin Boyd Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Arlene Nichols.

Steve; Greg, & Austin Boyd Families - April 16, 2024 at 01:11 PM



“ *Sending prayers for your family for God to, first of all, grant you strength to bear this loss and to grant the gift of time to allow the pain to be felt less and the joys of the memories made to be felt more.*

Chichi O. - April 16, 2024 at 12:13 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Ruth Arlene Nichols.*



April 16, 2024 at 11:54 AM