



## Bernice Ann "Penny" Mendes

September 4, 1942 - January 16, 2020

Bernice Ann "Penny" Mendes, 77, went to meet her Lord and Savior on January 16, 2020 in Columbus, Ohio. Penny was born on September 4, 1942 in Melrose, Massachusetts to Richard and Dorothy Lineberry.

She is survived by her daughter, Laura (Charlie) Aldag; son, Michael (Julie) Coon; sisters, Frances (Jo) Lineberry and Marian (Roger) Bush; brother, William (Mere Ann) Lineberry; granddaughters, Caitlin Coon and Vanessa (Steve) Hilter; and grandson, Ryan (Nicole) Aldag; several nieces and nephews; and her special friend, Bob Sloan.

Besides her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband, George Mendes and sister, Rebecca (Johnny) Miao.

Penny spent most of her adult life in central Ohio. She loved being a mom and was active as a room mother and tutor, a role which allowed her to take part in her childhood dream of being a teacher. She successfully managed two retail stores and an apartment complex and was a water aerobics instructor at Victory Fitness Center for several years. "Grandma Penny" is remembered for her generous gift giving and marathon Christmas cookie decorating parties and was widely-recognized as the family photographer and chronicler of events.

Penny touched many lives with her generous and hospitable spirit, letting

people know that they were valued and cared for. She was passionate about her faith and was eager to share the joy and hope that she had found in Jesus. She was an active member at Vineyard Columbus for many years and had a deep connection to the people and ministry there.

Arrangements are entrusted to Day Funeral Service. Service to be held January 24, 2020 at 11:00 AM with calling one hour prior in the chapel at Vineyard Columbus, 6000 Cooper Rd., Westerville, OH 43081. A meal will be served at the church immediately after the service. Please park in the north parking lot, chapel entrance.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Vineyard Columbus.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

3447 Ostrander Rd.  
Ostrander, OH 43061

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

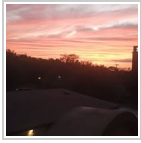
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *I met my sister in Christ when we both lived in Fort Worth, TX. She brought me to Christ thru a baptism. She was a very dear friend. Will miss her.*

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**Patricia Drahushuk** - May 12, 2020 at 12:11 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Bernice Ann "Penny" Mendes.*



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January 23, 2020 at 10:43 AM

JC

“ Penny started spending each Christmas with us in Texas way back in 2005, I believe. Her Grandma skills were top notch. She never missed an opportunity to play on the floor with Caity. Whether it was to color, build blocks or watch cartoons. She also passed on the tradition of baking Christmas cookies and I got to see first hand the amazing art work that was put on top of those cookies in icing by both Penny and Mike.

She moved to Fort Worth Texas around 2010 to Amelia Parc apartments and made many friends there. She quickly became activity director and encouraged people out to the pool as much as possible. After a health scare she moved closer to us at Colleyvine Ranch in Grapevine. Again, she made friends quickly and the staff just loved her. They appointed her in charge of greeting all the new residents, giving the a tour and making sure they felt welcome. That job was perfect for her. She also loved being in the choir and busy in the activities. We celebrated her 75th birthday there with cake, ice cream, Penny wearing a silly Birthday hat and surrounded by friends and family.

Julie Coon

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julie coon - January 22, 2020 at 09:35 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Bernice Ann "Penny" Mendes.



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January 20, 2020 at 11:40 PM

MW

“ I remember when Penny showed up at my daughters dedication. She bought two books for her so my daughter could learn who God was. I still use the bible she gave me 12 years ago.



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**Mandy Westfall** - January 20, 2020 at 06:49 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Bernice Ann "Penny" Mendes.



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January 20, 2020 at 01:45 PM