



## Mary Victoria "Vicki" Meyer

August 28, 1942 - September 23, 2017

On September 23, 2017, Mary Victoria (Vicki) Meyer (nee Doyle) of Columbus, Ohio died in her sleep after a months-long battle with cancer while surrounded by family in her beloved downtown apartment next to her bedroom window overlooking the city of Columbus. She was 75 years old. Vicki is survived by husband Donald Meyer; children Terri (Jay) Kegley, Perry Meyer, Kelly Meyer, and Jennifer (Dan) Miller; grandchildren Jordan (Kristina) Miller, Jessica Miller, Oliver Miller, Tobey Kegley, and Ida Scout Kegley; great-grandchildren Owen Miller and soon-to-be baby Miller; brothers Joe (Susan) Doyle of Garland, TX and George Doyle of St. Augustine, FL. She is preceded in death by her parents Charles and Theresa Doyle and brother Bill Doyle. Vicki was born in Louisville, KY, August 28, 1942 to Charles and Theresa (Wagner) Doyle. She was the big sister to three younger brothers. She graduated from Presentation Academy in 1960 and briefly attended the University of Louisville. She was a woman ahead of her time as she excelled in athletics and mathematics, yet was rejected for employment when she approached the FBI and IBM in the early 1960's because she was female. She channeled her intellect and energy into raising their four children over her 52-year marriage to Donnie which began when he infamously asked "Mickey will you marry me?" to which Vicki responded "Who the hell is Mickey?" Vicki's full-time job was that of dedicated housewife and mother, with an occasional seamstress business from home, but she did eke out a few part-time jobs over the years. While in Louisville, Vicki proudly worked as a waitress in the

penthouse restaurant at Churchill Downs and especially enjoyed the yearly-celebrated Kentucky Derby Week. After moving to Westerville, OH in 1979 she worked as a waitress at Monte Carlo Restaurant, served as an ambassador for Continental Airlines, and later worked as an attendant at the former Veterans' Memorial. She loved bebopping around Columbus and taking road trips in her stick-shift Honda Fit with her special tags VICFIT. Vicki was a regular at Columbus area bingos and treasured the friendships she made. Whenever N-42 was called, she would respond with "That was a good year!" Vicki, a devout Catholic, always gave of herself as evidenced through her extreme thrift in providing for her family, and through her volunteerism, most notably at St. Polycarp School and Church in Louisville where she played the organ for Sunday mass; at St. Francis DeSales High School in Columbus while her children attended; as a fervent supporter of Right to Life; and most recently at St. Lawrence Haven where she served the needy of Columbus for many years on a daily basis. She adored her Haven 'family.' A few years ago she had her 'favorite Christmas present' story published in the Columbus Dispatch: 'Back in the late 1940's, comic-strip cop Dick Tracy and his wife, Tess, had a baby girl named Bonny Braids. I wanted a Bonny Braids doll for Christmas in the worst way. I would cry and beg my mom to please tell Santa. She was all I wanted. On Christmas Day, my mom told me that Santa had run out of Bonny Braids dolls but that he had something else special for me. Through my tears, I opened a long, big box, and there she was - the most beautiful doll I had ever seen. (I hadn't seen many.) Her name was Flirty Flossie, and she was just a tad shorter than I was. Her head moved sideways, rolling her eyes while walking along with me when I took her hand. She was my best friend ever. I quickly forgot about Bonny.' Her children are thankful for her dedication to helping realize the value of the small things in life, and for always reminding that "life is what you make it." Many thanks go to the passionate people of Ohio Health Grant Medical Center and Hospice, and Ohio Living Westminister Village Rehab. Cremation arrangements made through Day Funeral Service. A Memorial Mass will be held this Saturday,

September 30, 11:30am, at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 204 S. 5th Street, Columbus, OH 43215. A celebration of life gathering will be held in the near future with details forthcoming. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Vicki's honor to St. Lawrence Haven, 578 E. Main St. Columbus, OH 43215 or Ohio Right to Life, 88 E. Broad St., Suite 620, Columbus, OH 43215.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP **30**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Holy Cross Catholic Church  
204 South 5th Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

# Tribute Wall

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**Linda Stump** - September 28, 2017 at 10:43 PM

MB

“ I went to DeSales with Terri and Perry. Wow, so many memories of Vicki. I think I hung out with Terri because of her mom! Not really, Terri. I considered you one of my best high school friends. I remember Vicki's laugh. Her directness. Attending a thoroughbred yearling sale in Kentucky and "almost" buying a million dollar horse. Hanging out at the "Mar" house (I still pronounce Meyer like that) while waiting for the bus in the mornings. I remember the family bought her her first ever pair of jeans. Growing up, apparently you were considered dirt poor if you wore jeans and Vicki never bought jeans for herself. Finding out about the eruption of Mount St. Helen's while at the house and watching the news with the family. Vicki's laugh--she was ALWAYS laughing. Her stories of working the Kentucky Derby--I was always so jealous the first weekend of May, knowing she was at the Derby. Guys, my sincerest, most heart-felt condolences. I wish I was in Columbus to attend the service on Saturday. Please know y'all are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Melanie Newlon Blodgett** - September 28, 2017 at 08:00 PM

MB

*For some reason the system dropped my full name.  
Melanie Newlon Blodgett!*

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**Melanie Newlon Blodgett** - September 28, 2017 at 08:02 PM

PE

*Melanie, Jimmy, and all those Newlon's from the pre-'80s to the present: We love you guys. Your memories will forever be in our hearts. I remember when my sister, Terri, got a new phone for her birthday to go into the landline jack in her room. My mother said, "Whoever calls Terri first, on her phone, gets a piece of Terri's birthday cake. Naturally, it was Melanie Newlon. Thank you for loving us like family. Y'all are the best!"*

Perry - September 28, 2017 at 09:05 PM



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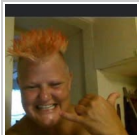
“ *Jessica I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.*

Dominique Therese - September 28, 2017 at 07:57 PM

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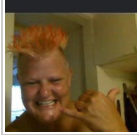
“ *So spunky and full of life and laughter! All I can picture now that she has gone to be with God is a heaven that is BEDAZZLED 😊 She will forever be missed but never gone because her spirit and passion definitely lives on in her children and grandchildren!*

Amanda Sambuco - September 28, 2017 at 01:50 PM



“ *She is the the head angel ruler in heaven now.Watch out she is taking over.I'm so happy my mom is finally at peace.She was the strongest woman I've ever met in my life.She endured more pain than most and never complained.She would always say offer it up.Boy did she ever.She also said just think what Jesus went through and their is always someone always worse off than you.Wow!What?He was human too right?Offer it up.Stop it.This video is for you mom.I love you.You are as free as the birds on a spring sunny day.*

Kelly Meyer - September 28, 2017 at 12:23 PM

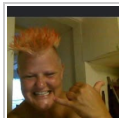


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**Kelly Meyer** - September 28, 2017 at 11:15 AM



*Sorry the songs are only so long and there is one picture in here that mom knows which one is the one only Kelly would do. Will give you a hint. Vehicle trapped. Lol*

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**Kelly Meyer** - September 28, 2017 at 12:28 PM

DM

“ 13 year old bride, *I will miss you until I die.*  
*Love ya, love ya, love ya.....*  
*Donnie Lee (Me)!*

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**donald meyer** - September 28, 2017 at 06:24 AM

DH

“ *Vicki has been my best friend since 1961. We had so many good times together. We laughed together and cried together. There will never be another like her. I only wish I could have had the faith she had. See you my friend.*

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**Darlene Hall** - September 27, 2017 at 05:40 PM

JD

*Vicki always reminded me that she was my favorite sister. Of course she was my only sister. Vicki had a quick wit and was always upbeat. She always lit up the room. She will be sorely missed. She was very religious and kind to everyone. I know she went straight to heaven. R.I.P my beautiful Sister Vicki.*

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**Joe Doyle** - September 27, 2017 at 06:17 PM