



Beverly Black

November 27, 1943 - August 1, 2020

Beverly Ann Allen-Gustafson-Black (November 27th, 1943-August 1st 2020) of Dayton, Ohio, prolific bibliophile, linguist extraordinaire, receiver of elaborate love letters, and intrepid peerer over edges has bid farewell to this mortal plane from her pampas grass and rosemary surrounded cottage in Milledgeville, Georgia. At Rockford College, in Illinois, she attended college, beat (nearly) everyone at chess and fell in love with her very own wild Viking, Tom. She worked first as a high school English teacher, decided that was for the birds, and became a computer programmer at Wright Patterson AFB in Fairborn, OH. After 20 years, she retired and moved South because “Ohio winters stink.” She lived out the remainder of her years as a bohemian, cat-loving Scrabble player, surrounded by family and books. First college graduate in her family, lover of spicy food and lemons, inventor(?), social activist, protestor, and consummate gamer, she spawned a legacy of love, light, wonder, and an appreciation for weird vernacular.

She leaves behind Siblings: Sandy Poske, Mike Allen (Cuba), Becky Farley (Gene), and Lon Allen (Lynn), a host of cousins and nieces and nephews who she adored. Missing her terribly today are her daughters Lisa Dunn and Katy Roberts (Reid) as well as her grandchildren: Bri Cha (Hyeonjin), Marisa Dunn (Paul), Grace Dunn, Avery Roberts & Ethan Roberts. She joins her Parents: Norma deBord & Sherman Allen and Beloved Ones: Tom, Hazel, Bev, Dale, David, Larry, Janetta, Marge, and many, many more. Excuse any and all

grammar mistakes, Grandma. We're in a bit of a daze. We love you forever.
So it goes.

Due to COVID-19, no service will follow. Please crack open a book and
donate to your local library.

Tribute Wall

SA

“ Lisa and Katy. I'm so sorry to hear that my Birthday sister Bev has left this world. I love your Mama. I loved the years I babysat you girls. The many years I would just go down to your house talked to her. She was so wise and funny. I've always thought of her often throughout my life. Prayers for you all!!! She will be missed by many. I loved her tribute..It made me chuckle. You described her well and I know she is smiling down. Much Love Sandi Brown Martin.

Sandra - August 31, 2020 at 05:42 PM

KE

“ 🌸 Dr. Catherine and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. Your mother was
Truly a unique lady,as expressed in her
obituary 🌸
I will keep you in my prayers.
Love you Dr. Katy 🌸
Karen



Karen Evans - August 06, 2020 at 02:18 PM

LK

“Bev was such a huge part of my children's lives. She was always so welcoming as a neighbor and introduced them to Bri. They had so many adventures together. My favorite memory is of all of us going to the Americana amusement park and the several birthday parties we attended. She was so patient and loving. We really missed her and the family when they moved out of Ohio but knew that was the best thing for her. Family meant everything to her. I will miss the discussions we had and how special she was in helping my children grow. My heart goes out to all of her family who welcomed us into their homes and shared so many family events so Bri and Jillian could be together. May Bev rest in peace knowing she made a difference in this world and I pray Lisa and the girls find comfort in knowing Bev loved them. Laurie Keating

Laurie Keating - August 06, 2020 at 08:14 AM

HA

“Hannah Allen lit a candle in memory of Beverly Black



Hannah Allen - August 05, 2020 at 04:29 PM

KB

“Kim Byrd lit a candle in memory of Beverly Black



Kim Byrd - August 04, 2020 at 08:27 AM

KB

*Dr. Katy,
i was so sorry to read of your Mother's passing please know that you
and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Kim Byrd - August 04, 2020 at 08:28 AM

LM

“ *Our prayers are with you. Friends at Johnnie
McDade Grocery.*



Luther Minor - August 04, 2020 at 07:09 AM

MW

“ *I met Bev in 1979 when Lon and were first together. She became
my sister-in-law later that year and the aunt to my son late the next
year. There were weekends together at Becky's where we all
gathered and played cards many weekends. I truly was an amazing
extended family. All the Allen clan were tremendously loving and
fun. The last time I saw Bev, she took Michael and I out for pie up in
West Milton. It was amazing pie and amazing to get to have one last
in-person visit with her. We stayed in touch on Facebook and I'm
forever grateful to have had her as a sister-in-law and as a friend.
She raised amazing daughters and contributed to the upbringing of
the next generation making them better people for it. She made me
a better person for having known her too. Much love from Sami and
Michael*

Margaret Westlake - August 03, 2020 at 10:56 PM

CK

“ Just seen this and was taking away. Fly with the angels Ms. BEV. So sorry Mike, Bri, & Avery. I'm so glad i got to know Ms. BEV she was a kind soul, I will miss her so much, her humor was amazing she would brighten a dull day with her humor and make me laugh at her posts. Her love of cats reminded me of my cousins love for cats. You could tell she adored her grandbabies and she had a lil Brie like me, and the love of her babies stole my heart away immediately 💕. She was an amazing woman and i will miss her dearly, The Lord gain a great Angel she will serve him well in heaven as she did on earth. Good bye my Ms.Bev you will forever be in my heart ❤️ Praying for family & Friends

Claudette Keeling - August 03, 2020 at 09:35 PM

KJ

“ So sorry to hear about your Mom. Prayer said for you and your family and I promise to read a book in her memory!



Kris Johnson - August 03, 2020 at 09:17 PM

CK

“ Claudette Keeling lit a candle in memory of Beverly Black

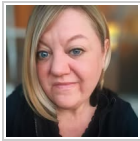


Claudette Keeling - August 03, 2020 at 09:10 PM



“ *Bev, trusted friend, consoler of the heartbroken, wise counselor, funny and witty, profound, and a real Christian. Beloved family, I grieve with you. May you be comforted and encouraged by her love for you and the love of the one she believed in, the Lord Jesus Christ. Love, Jill Gordon*

Jill Gordon - August 03, 2020 at 09:01 PM



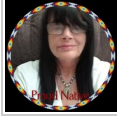
“ *Us girls spent so much time with your sweet mom growing up. She loved talking about books with me. So sorry for your loss. If there is anything we can do please let us know. She sure did like Emma boo too. Awww. Miss seeing her on facebook already. Hugs.*

Sarah Lee - August 03, 2020 at 07:57 PM

CA

Always have loved that sweet momma of yours! She was always so kind and loving to me and my kids! So glad we got to reconnect on FB for the past few years! Loved her humor, her outlook on life, her love of family and her down to earth attitude of life! Will miss you, Bev!

Carole Allen - August 03, 2020 at 08:30 PM



MY DEAR FRIEND, THERE ARE NO WORDS TO DESCRIBE OUR FRIENDSHIP, IT WAS DEFINATELY UNIQUE. WE MET IN AN UNUSAL WAY AND JUST CLICKED. YOU WERE AMAZING AND WE WENT THROUGH SO MANY TRIALS. YOU WERE AN INSPIRATION AND THE MOST WONDERFUL FRIEND TO HAVE BEEN THERE THROUGH THICK AND THIN, I'LL MISS STAYING UP AND TALKING BEFORE YOU COULDN'T HEAR ME. YOU WERE A BLESSING TO ME AND I THANK GOD FOR THE OVER 25 YEARS WE HAD. I COULDN'T HAVE MADE IT WITHOUT YOU WHEN MY SON AND WIFE WERE SHOT IN 2012, YOU ALWAYS KNEW WHAT TO SAY. NOW WORDS ESCAPE ME. YOU EARNED YOUR WINGS MANY TIMES OVER, FLY HIGH AND FREE MY SPAGETTIO. YOUR MEABALLIO WILL ALWAYS LOVE AND MISS YOU. YOU HAVE A SPECIAL PLACE I CARRY YOU IN MY HEART. IT POURED THE DAY YOU LEFT MILLIONS OF ANGELS WERE CRYING AND REJOICING AS YOU FLEW THROUGH THE GATES OF HEAVEN INTO GODS ARMS. TAKE CARE OF YOUR NEW ANGEL GOD, SHE IS PRECIOUS. :'(

Paulette Ogden - August 04, 2020 at 04:24 AM

LE

“ Never got to meet your mom but know what it is like to lose a special mom. You and your family in my ❤️. Lee Edwards

Lee Edwards - August 03, 2020 at 07:34 PM

IN

“ Dr. Katy, so sorry to hear of the death of your mom. She sounded like a fun loving lady. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Big hug for you.

Imogene and W.B. NeSmith - August 03, 2020 at 05:57 PM

JP

“ Katy, we loved your mom and have so many great and funny memories of her and Marge. Love and prayers,
Dennis and Julie Parmley

Julie Parmley - August 03, 2020 at 05:36 PM

TL

“ Our deepest condolences to Dr. Reed Roberts and family for the loss of his precious Mom. We are sending special vibes and heartfelt prayers for your comfort. May Mom RIP Tom and Mary Lee Linski

Thomas M. Linski - August 03, 2020 at 04:35 PM

GC

Dear Dr. Katy and family. That was the coolest obituary for your dearest, coolest Mother. She is resting among the greatest of wordsmiths, and maybe even Dorothy Parker and her friends. We send you much love at this sad time. May your mother rest in power! With love, Randy Miller, Ginger Carter, Jeffrey Carter and Blanton Carter.

Ginger Carter - August 03, 2020 at 05:18 PM

DA

“ Dear Dr Katy. Although I did not know your Mom she sounds like an incredible person just like you. May you know you are in my thoughts and may the love of family and friends help you thru this time

Dale Anderson - August 03, 2020 at 04:33 PM

KH

“ Katy, I'm so sorry you lost your precious mama. She was a sweet soul, and I'm glad I had the opportunity to meet and converse with her. Wish I had gotten to know her better. She was my type. 😊 Sending my love to you and your family. ❤️

Karen Harris - August 03, 2020 at 04:00 PM

SH

“ *What an awesome send off. She was an extraordinary lady I was fortunate enough to call my friend. Fly high my friend.*

sherry - August 03, 2020 at 03:59 PM

SM

“ *We are so sorry for your loss! We are keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers... we love you and wish we could wrap our arms around you. Susan and Frank May*

Susan May - August 03, 2020 at 11:52 AM

FL

“ *Dr. Katy so sorry for the loss of your mom. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*



Fay Leverett - August 03, 2020 at 11:43 AM

CS

“ *Dr Roberts, I'm sorry for your loss. Your mom sounds like someone that would be fun to know. Prayers sent for your family.*

Carlene. Smith - August 03, 2020 at 11:26 AM

SH

“ *I did not know Beverly but this was such an amazing obituary! Made me feel like I would love her!💕💕💕*

Sonja Petty Hill - August 03, 2020 at 11:03 AM