



## Cicely Worthington

May 14, 1926 - October 14, 2018

Cicely Worthington, 92, of Carrollton, formerly of Amsterdam, passed away October 14, 2018 in Centreville Village following an extended illness.

She was born May 14, 1926 in Wolf Run, Ohio, and was the daughter of the late Edward and Adelaide Williams Worthington.

She was a member of the Amsterdam Church of God and attended the First Presbyterian Church of Carrollton, where she served as youth leader. Cicely was a member of the Carroll County Retired Teachers Association, Amsterdam Woman's Club, and a 50 year member of Alpha Mu of Delta Kappa Gamma.

She graduated from Bethany College, received her Master's Degree from the University of Pittsburgh and also attended the University of Valencia in Spain. She was a much loved English and Spanish teacher at Springfield High School and retired in 1984 after 33 years.

She is survived by two nieces, Mrs. Sandy (Dale) Rininger of Carrollton and Mrs. Nancy (Bruce) Lindemann of Houston, Texas; two great nieces and nephews, Mrs. Trina (Brad) Croft of New Philadelphia and Beth Handly of Houston, Texas; a great nephew, Bradley Stone of Portland, Oregon; three great great nephews, Corbin Croft, Travis Croft, and Nathan Croft of New

Philadelphia. She also leaves behind many, many cherished friends.

Along with her parents she was preceded in death by a sister, Bessie Jane Warner on December 20, 1989; two brothers, Jack Worthington during World War II and Edward Worthington on February 13, 1990; and a special niece, Cicely Ann Engler on February 15, 1993.

Funeral services will be Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 11 a.m. in the First Presbyterian Church of Carrollton with Pastor Vernon Shepherd officiating. Burial will follow at Ft. Steuben Burial Estates in Wintersville. Visitation will be Wednesday from noon till 2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Carrollton.

Memorial donations may be made in Cicely's memory to "Cicely's Closet," in care of the First Presbyterian Church in Carrollton, 200 N Lisbon St., Carrollton, Ohio 44615.

# Cemetery Details

## Ft. Steuben Burial Estates

Canton Road  
Wintersville, OH 43953

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 17. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
200 North Lisbon Street  
Carrollton, OH 44615

## Visitation

OCT 17. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

OCT 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

MH

“ *God Bless Aunty Cicely from your Lancashire family.*

*Ann, Marc, Terry, Karen, Lynn x RIP*



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**Marc Harrison** - December 30, 2021 at 05:22 PM

SB

“ *Cicely and her parents lived next door to my grandmother on S. Main Street. I lived there with my grandparents until I was five, so I knew the Worthington's well--even though we moved farther up S. Main. Cicely always taught our Bible School in the summer. I never had her as a teacher during the winter, but she was always so kind to me. I remember they had a chicken coop in their backyard, and we were always allowed to take the leavings from dinner over to feed Worthington's chickens. Good memories. My parents moved us to Akron in the summer of 1954, but we still visited my grandmother, Goldie Beynon. After Cicely moved to Carrollton, I was in contact with her about the history of Amsterdam. She sent me a lot of information at that time. I know she will be deeply missed by many.*

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**ShariLee Beynon** - December 02, 2018 at 06:03 PM

MO

“ *Malyne Oyster lit a candle in memory of Cicely Worthington*



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**Malyne Oyster** - October 19, 2018 at 04:06 AM

LG

“ I wrote this poem as a tribute to the teacher who had the most influence on my life. Because of her, I also became a teacher. Because she introduced me to Shakespeare, it is written in sonnet form.

*Help Me to Learn*

*Help Me to learn! Oh teacher, help me see  
The wonder in all the world around.  
Help me to appreciate the sound  
Of the Masters' voices as they speak to me.*

*You taught me that knowledge makes one free;  
That a mind that understands cannot be bound.  
Help me to learn!*

*I want to see truth and reality  
If in Music, Art, or Words they can be found.  
With Wisdom and Beauty I would  
Surround myself for all eternity.  
Help me to learn.*

*Dedicated with love, Laura Greathouse*

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**Laura Riley Greathouse** - October 18, 2018 at 08:24 AM

SC

“ So sorry for your loss. I was blessed to have been a student of Ms. Worthington not only in Spanish but life. She was a true inspiration in life, was lucky enough to spend time with her outside of school and listening to her talk about the adventures she had in life, and her travels. No matter what she will always hold a special place in my heart, and will always know how lucky I was to have known her.

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**Sheri Cain** - October 17, 2018 at 07:35 PM

TS

“ *Cicly was a amazing person the short time I had with her at centreville village will never be forgotten .. always remember our talks and she was always happy to see me .. rest easy precious lady*

tina swartz - October 17, 2018 at 07:14 PM

Fred Sponhaltz

“ *Fred Sponhaltz lit a candle in memory of Cicely Worthington*



Fred Sponhaltz - October 17, 2018 at 03:33 AM

Fred Sponhaltz

“ *Fred Sponhaltz sent a virtual gift in memory of Cicely Worthington*



Fred Sponhaltz - October 17, 2018 at 03:33 AM

LG

“ *Miss Worthington was my high school English Teacher. She taught me to love language. She taught me to love learning. I have loved her ever since. Laura (Riley) Greathouse*

Laura Riley Greathouse - October 16, 2018 at 03:53 PM

LR

“ Cicely was our neighbor for many years. Use to rake her grass and help her out when needed. She taught my brother, sister and I how to embroider. Loving memories forever in my heart. Thank you Cicely!

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**Lorie Redovian** - October 16, 2018 at 01:35 PM

KM

“ I remember so well. Back in the 60s she was my english teacher. Always very happy. And smiling, i rememer at her home. She would feed the men from the trains. If they did a little yard work for her. she had a great outlook on life, and im glad she had a full one. God dearly bless her.

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**karen patrick matchett** - October 16, 2018 at 11:14 AM

LR

*Their are so many memories, now looked as blessings even to have known hee*

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**Lorie Redovian** - October 16, 2018 at 01:37 PM

KP

“ Karen Patrick lit a candle in memory of Cicely Worthington



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**karen patrick** - October 16, 2018 at 11:07 AM

TD

“ *She was a wonderful innovative teacher and a lovely person. I delivered newspapers to her house and she would invite me in for a hot drink in winter and a cold drink in summer. She'll be sadly missed.*

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**Terri Coury Dow** - October 16, 2018 at 10:36 AM

DK

“ *She was a wonderful teacher. She taught me in HS English more than 60 years ago. She introduced my classmates to poetry such as Jabberwocky and the Rhyme of the Ancient Mariner. That impact by poetry has stayed with me. When she criticized our written work, it edified and never smarted like a scald from hot water. She and I have written back and forth for 50 years, usually about four letters per year plus a few postcards. I sent her a letter on 4 Oct and wonder if she was able to read it. It was a joy to visit her at her wee home on McKinley Ave in Carrollton, and years ago when she lived in Amsterdam. She knew my parents and grandparents on both sides. Her only sibling that I did not know was Jack who was killed in North Africa in WWII.*

*Dale & Linda Kirkland from North Port, FL*

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**Dale Kirkland** - October 16, 2018 at 07:30 AM

BG

“ *The "Little White Headhunter" who kept us all in line. Learned so much from her. She could discuss anything with you. She made you feel competent and appreciated. We will miss you so much.*

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**Beverly Gundrum** - October 16, 2018 at 01:41 AM

JZ

“ *Cicely, was a wonderful lady. She was friendly. She was a very special lady. She never changed in the way she was with people. She will truly be missed by all who knew her. She is with the Lord now.*

*Heaven gained another angel.*

*Jeanne Zinda and & Family*

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**Jeanne Zinda** - October 15, 2018 at 09:52 PM

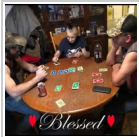
JA

“ *Cicely was a very special person and I am very thankful she was part of my life and I was fortunate enough to care for her. I will always remember her and love her. My deepest sympathy to the family.*



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**Janice** - October 15, 2018 at 09:04 PM



“ *She taught my older siblings and was a sub for me. Everytime she was there we had her tell the story about the deer jumping through the window at Springfield. Mrs. Worthington was probably the only substitute that we didn't give a hard time to. We all loved her*

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**Melissa Beagle** - October 15, 2018 at 08:38 PM

EB

*I remember her telling that story.*

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**Elizabeth Beagle** - October 16, 2018 at 11:33 AM

BE

“ She was always so nice when I'd run into her in town. I'll never forget in July, 1999, my family was on vacation at Martha's Vineyard. We sat overlooking the ocean, eating lobster rolls. My mom said, "That lady looks like Cicely Worthington." And lo and behold, it was. What a small world, and what a special lady!

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**Beth** - October 15, 2018 at 08:33 PM

JS

“ What a beautiful lady. Her love for Amsterdam and the people. I'll always remember all the help you gave me.  
Jean Scarlott

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**Jean Scarlott** - October 15, 2018 at 07:26 PM

MW

“ Rex, your words perfectly describe the wonderful lady. She was an amazing person, she taught us all to look beyond her disability and look at the possibilities. She was an inspiration to many. Though short in stature, she was feared many. She taught with passion for learning, not just Spanish.

Yes heaven does shine a little brighter with the light of her soul.

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**Mike Wilks** - October 15, 2018 at 07:05 PM

DS

“ I used to b Cicelys caregiver no friend we would do things go to lunch visit her friends take her to get her hair done. She told me so many stories of her past she was amazing and a woman I was very proud to know 🙏

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**Debra Smith** - October 15, 2018 at 06:59 PM



“ *respected this lady/teacher and all she did for the Amsterdam / Bergholz community.*

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**Mary Dean** - October 15, 2018 at 06:57 PM



“ *Terri VanHorne lit a candle in memory of Cicely Worthington*



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**Terri VanHorne** - October 15, 2018 at 06:50 PM



“ *I will always remember Miss Worthington as an absolutely beautiful person. She was always smiling, always pleasant, and always concerned about others. A good day for Miss Worthington would be a horrific day for any of us. But you would never know. You see, in spite of her physical issues and the pain she endured on a daily basis, she found it necessary to love all of us! While I cannot claim to be one of Miss Worthington's top students (OK - So maybe low average ..... I give up ... one of her worst students) I admired her for who she was. I admired her drive. I admired her passion for life. But most of all ... I admired the lady who lived 3 doors down. She was kind, she always asked how my day was, and she NEVER complained, NEVER! The lights in Heaven shine a little brighter this evening. Miss Worthington, you made a difference in my life! I am eternally grateful! Rest in Peace, young lady.*

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**Rex Sponhaltz** - October 15, 2018 at 06:24 PM



“ *Lena Lautzenheiser lit a candle in memory of Cicely Worthington*



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**Lena Lautzenheiser** - October 15, 2018 at 06:10 PM



*I remember being in one of her classes at Springfield High School. She was a great teacher.*

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**Lena Lautzenheiser** - October 15, 2018 at 06:12 PM

PF

*Miss Worthing was the teacher you respected and never forgot and she never forgot you. She shared the story with me how my Grandpa Ray taught her how to drive when no one else would. He even built up the pedals for her. She was so appreciative.*

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**Pixie Furbee** - October 15, 2018 at 08:55 PM

VR

“ *Was a great Spanish teacher which I used ALOT when I was a Police officer in Los Angeles.*

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**Vladimir J Repella** - October 15, 2018 at 04:55 PM