



## Nilah J. Ankrom

October 10, 1929 - March 15, 2016

Nilah J. Ankrom, 86, of Carrollton, formerly of Germano, died Tuesday March 15, 2016 at Altercare of Alliance.

She was born October 10, 1929 in Germano, Ohio daughter of the late Walter and Hattie Benedict Walker.

Nilah was an active member of Carrollton First Presbyterian Church where she was a former Elder, member of the bell choir, Women's assoc. and was actively involved in the Sharing Bread meal program. She was a member and organist at the former Germano Presbyterian Church for many years. She taught in Carrollton High School 35 years before retiring in 1992.

Nilah is survived by a son, Terry (Nancy) Ankrom of Canton; daughter, Karan Princic of North Canton; two grandchildren, Zachariah and Jonah Ankrom; two step grandchildren, Sara and Daniel Princic; and a brother, Richard Walker of Hillsboro, Ohio.

Nilah was preceded in death by her husband Jay Ankron on May 11, 2014.

A Memorial service will be held Monday March 21, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in the First Presbyterian Church of Carrollton with Rev. Burt McGlawn officiating. Friends may call 1 hour prior to the service at the church.

The family requests memorials be made in Nilah's memory to the Carrollton First Presbyterian Church 200 North Lisbon St. Carrollton, Ohio 44615.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 21. 10:00 AM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
200 North Lisbon Street  
Carrollton, OH 44615

## Service

MAR 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“Mrs. A was my all time favorite teacher. She was my Government teacher my senior year at CHS in 1980. The most important thing I learned from her was to always question and never just accept things as they are because that's how it has always been. She had a clever, if not devious way, of getting her students to examine the reasons they held a particular opinion. She would always assure me, "I'm not saying you are wrong, I just want you to have a good basis for your opinion and not just repeat what you have heard from others who have influenced you.”

We had some heated debates about politics as she was a Democrat and I leaned Republican. In class, she had us pick a debate topic that we felt passionate about, but being the sneaky person she was, she made us argue the opposite side. That was a real eye-opener, and I remember how mad I was at her for making me argue in favor of abortion.

She taught me to think for myself. She taught me to disagree respectfully. She taught me that over the course of a lifetime, I might see more gray and less black and white, and boy was she right about that.

She touched many lives and minds over the course of her teaching career. I feel so blessed and honored to have been among them. God bless and rest in peace, Mrs. A.

Sandy Schlabach Kohler  
Class of 1980

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