



## Bonnie L. Ward

January 27, 1945 - May 25, 2020

Bonnie L. Ward, 75, of Mentor, passed away Monday, May 25, 2020 at Hospice House, Cleveland. She was born January, 27, 1945 in Youngstown, Ohio to the late William and Verla Bowser.

Mrs. Ward was an active member of the Madison Avenue Church of Christ for over 25 years, teaching pre-school and active with teens and other positions. She taught swimming at the Central YMCA to pre-school and entry level swimming for over 9 years. She also served as a life guard for over 2 years. Bonnie was very active with Swim for Diabetes program for over 10 years as part of the Diabetes Association of Greater Cleveland. She also taught cake decorating in the area for over 20 years and had her own store, Cakes-N-Things, in Painesville. Mrs. Ward also worked as an aide for the Mentor Schools in Sterling Morton Elementary School's special handicap program. In her spare time, she enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, camping with her family, traveling, painting ceramics, sewing and baking.

Survivors include her husband of 55 years, John L. "Jack" Ward; children, John (Melissa) Ward and Diane (Dennis) Andersen; grandchildren, Brianna (Eric) Glover and Samantha (Fiancé: Steven Liston) Andersen and Steven Andersen; great grandchild, Seth Liston; brothers, Paul (Debbie) and Richard Bowser and many nieces, nephews and other loving family members.

Preceding her in death are her grandson, Keith Ward and brother, William Bowser.

The family will receive friends 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Sunday, May 31, 2020 at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Avenue, Mentor, Ohio 44060. A funeral service will be held 10:00 a.m., Monday, June 1, 2020 at the funeral home. Burial to take place in Mentor Cemetery, following service.

Social distancing is encouraged for all publicly attended events.

Send flowers and offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 974-5733

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 31.** 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center  
8466 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3401  
ajs@brunners.com  
<https://www.brunners.com/>

## Funeral Service

**JUN 1.** 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I started babysitting for Bonnie and Jack when I was 11. They were my 2nd parents. I love them with all my heart. Jack taught me to drive , and got me my first job at the shoe store. Lived with for awhile. Bonnie and I use to do things together. She made my dress for gaa formal. They sent 16 long stem roses for my 16th birthday. I will miss her.

Teresa Reid - May 31, 2020 at 11:29 AM

SC

“ As far back as I can remember, I was always so excited when Aunt Bonnie & Uncle Jack came to town - we always had a blast swimming, catching up, etc. Aunt Bonnie had such a generous heart and I hold dear how much she did for me and my wedding (our cake was beautiful and delicious!). Sending our love and prayers from Cincy.  
-Stephanie Copley

Stephanie Copley - May 30, 2020 at 09:47 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.



May 30, 2020 at 09:43 AM

CS

“ Bonnie was my niece. When I was a teenager she was a toddler, loving to trail after me and my teen girlfriends. We loved her and let her come along with us. We'd let her stay with us at sleepovers at Grandma and Grandpa's(my parents) big house in Canton, Ohio. She, her mom and dad lived about a mile from us so i was their go to baby sitter. In the summer her aunt Janice Abbrig would come and visit and we all would have a wonderful time together, dragging Bonnie everywhere we went. She loved it!  
All these years later we have have always remembered those fun years.  
She was a wonderful friend to everyone who knew her.We'll all miss her her .  
Carolee Bowser Skipper.

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carolee skipper - May 29, 2020 at 12:12 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.



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May 29, 2020 at 12:24 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.



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May 28, 2020 at 07:39 PM

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“ *Robert & Karen Kalucki purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.*



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**Robert & Karen Kalucki** - May 28, 2020 at 03:10 PM



“ I will always remember my aunt Bonnie she was an amazing women and I learned so much for her. She taught me a few things in the kitchen well I was visiting with her and uncle Jack. When I was very little she taught me how to swim and now it almost impossible to get me out of the water, she always said Ashley will always be happy as long as there a pool around! We went on many trips together, this past summer as my graduation present and for Aunt Bonnie and Uncle Jack's 55 anniversary we went to Branson Missouri and it was one of the most amazing trip i have been on in my life. We went to a few shows, Like we saw this show called SIX and it's is and it's an amazing acopello group, one of the best groups in the world! I will never forget that Aunt Bonnie was dancing in her seat! We also saw this show called the 60's and it was a shoe showing a lot of popular music back in the day and they were changing their outfits back and fourth, I bet the were out of breath by the end of the show. We stayed in Branson for about a week and a half. I will never forget this one day we didn't have any plans, so Uncle Jack went out and Bonnie stayed at the hotel (which was an amazing hotel) she wanted to stay in the nice cool room and watch the Hallmark channel and of course I was in the pool all day long Until Uncle Jack came and got me for lunch, we had Arby's. I watched some Hallmark with aunt Bonnie and after that I went right back into the pool until dark. When I was about 7 years old we all packed ip and went to Hilton Head South Carolina, from what I remember it was a very cool trip I still can taste Aunt Bonnie's chocolate chip pancakes, so delicious. Even her hamburger with cheese! You know if Aunt Bonnie made it, it's going be delicious! Every December before Christmas she would have a weekend just to make all different kinds of cookies, you name it she made it over 20,30+ kinds of cookies and if we couldn't make it to Mentor for Christmas She would send us a box full of cookies and Christmas presents every year! For a few Thanksgiving I would come up even if my parents couldn't we would make it work, her thanksgiving were the best with every ones help but Bonnie and Diane did most of the



*recipes, it was so worth the wait. She made you feel at home every time you come to visit especially during the holidays! I will never forget when i stayed with them for a week and we did all sorts of this like went to the Rock n Roll Hall of Fame and it was amazing there we saw everything. Even Elves Had his own room full of artifacts like his motercicle and his jumpsuits ect... even some Brain May stuff way there, you name it that had almost anything but it also depends when you go because they change it all the time! We went on a African safari in Sandusky. We drove throw it and buffalos and antatlope deer came up to the car and we had food to give them, I had a blast and love it! Aunt Bonnie alway knew how to make you feel at home and welcome!*

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**Ash Bowser** - May 28, 2020 at 02:31 PM

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“ *Parker Hose Products Division - Wickliffe, Ohio purchased the Rose Romanesque Bouquet for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.*



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**Parker Hose Products Division - Wickliffe, Ohio** - May 28, 2020 at 12:59 PM

BA

“ *Bill and Jo Ann Albers purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.*



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**Bill and Jo Ann Albers** - May 28, 2020 at 12:17 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.*



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May 28, 2020 at 09:14 AM



“ *Your friends at Enprotech. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.*



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**Your friends at Enprotech.** - May 28, 2020 at 08:02 AM



“ *The Ward and Walker family have been connected going back decades. Bonnie goes home to reunite with so many people that love her. Although she will be missed greatly here, she lived an amazing DASH!!!! Our deepest condolences the Quick's (Walker's)*



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**Cindy Quick (Walker)** - May 28, 2020 at 04:59 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bonnie L. Ward.*



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May 27, 2020 at 09:51 PM

DA

“ My beautiful sister in Christ, Bonnie. We have had a wonderful kinship/friendship as members of the Lords Church. I know you were looking toward your eternity with God and through your obedience to the Gospel of Jesus Christ you will be in Paradise awaiting His return. I am sad to think of your passing as I loved our time here with you and Jack. But I'm rejoicing that you kept the faith and now you will receive your reward. Praise God, the Son and the Holy Spirit.. I will miss your sweet soul and your loving kindnesses..



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**Debra Ackerman** - May 27, 2020 at 07:55 PM