



Kathryn "Kay" V. (Huckabee) Disbro

January 23, 1921 - February 28, 2024

Kathryn "Kay" V. (Huckabee) Disbro, age 103, passed away on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 with her family by her side at Enclave of Newell Creek, Mentor. She was born January 23, 1921 in Bennettsville, SC.

Kay was a 1938 graduate of Bennettsville High School and attended Limestone College in Gaffney, SC where she played on the women's basketball team.

Mrs. Disbro was the bookkeeper for Disbro Investment Co. for three years before joining the Mentor Public Schools, where she worked as an executive secretary at the Board of Education office for five years and 15 years as secretary at Fairfax Elementary School. She served on the Board of Directors for the Mentor Schools Credit Union for six years. While at Fairfax School she won the "Outstanding Service Award for Classified Staff" in 1984, and the Fairfax Elementary's, "Excellence in Education Award" in 1987. The Mentor School Board honored her with the "Service Center Dedication" award in 1994.

Kay belonged to the Mentor Women's Club and she received, from the General Federation of Women's Club, a citation for being "First Lady" for 1973-74. Kay was the first female pilot to solo (in South Carolina and the southeastern United States) in 1943. She was taught to fly by her husband,

Glenn, and they flew in several air shows. Kay was a member of the Mentor Miscellany Club, The International Women's Air and Space Museum at Burke Lakefront Airport, the Lake County Historical Society, and the Limestone University Alumni Association. Kay was a member of Mentor United Methodist Church and belonged to Asbury Fellowship Club, Naomi Circle, Commission on Mission, and several other church affiliated organizations. She was a volunteer for the Lake East Hospital and later for Tri-Point Medical Center. Kay loved to travel and visited eleven countries overseas. She loved to read and spend time with her grand and great-grandchildren. She was very devoted to her family and friends. She was an avid fan of the Cleveland Guardians, Cleveland Browns, and the Cleveland Cavaliers.

She is the loving mother of Constance "Connie" M. (Gerald "Jerry" MD) Herman, Dr. Larry G. (Sandra) Disbro and John D. (Carolyn) Disbro; devoted grandmother of Katey (Mike Cohen) Herman, Kellee M. Disbro, Bethany A. Miller and Glenn N. (Sara) Disbro; devoted great-grandmother of Corey and Charlie Cohen, Cali and Capri Disbro; nephew: F. Steven (Sydney) Parrish and nieces: Linda (Edward) Parrish Flake, Joy (Benjamin) Disbro Warren and Judith (Julie Greystone) Disbro Curcio.

Kay was the beloved wife of the late Glenn E. Disbro; cherished daughter of the late Charles D. and Mallie N. Huckabee and her loving sister, Gwen Parrish (nee: Huckabee)

The family will receive friends from 4:00 – 7:00 pm Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

A funeral will be held at 7:00 pm Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at the funeral home.

A private family interment will take place in Mentor Cemetery, Mentor, OH.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Hospice of the Western Reserve, P.O. Box 72101, Cleveland, OH 44192, donate online at www.hospicewr.org or the Mentor United Methodist Church, 8600 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAR 12. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DF

“ We send our deepest sympathy and our personal regards to all your family. Dennis and Joann Forman

dennis forman - March 12, 2024 at 09:31 AM

RR

“ Roland and Irma Ramos purchased the Pretty Pleasure for the family of Kathryn "Kay" V. (Huckabee) Disbro.



Roland and Irma Ramos - March 11, 2024 at 04:10 PM

TF

“ The Wilson and Brian family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Kathryn "Kay" V. (Huckabee) Disbro.



The Wilson and Brian family - March 10, 2024 at 03:44 PM

CF

“ Catherine and Bruce Ferguson purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Kathryn "Kay" V. (Huckabee) Disbro.



Catherine and Bruce Ferguson - March 07, 2024 at 03:17 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kathryn "Kay" V. (Huckabee) Disbro.



March 06, 2024 at 02:31 PM



“ Judith C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathryn "Kay" V. (Huckabee) Disbro.

Judith C. - March 03, 2024 at 08:51 AM



“ I was so fortunate to have met Kay, She was truly someone special, kind, intelligent, and fun to be around. Thanks to Connie and Jerry I was so lucky to know Kay.
With my heartfelt sympathy and love. Pat Bain

Patricia Bain - March 01, 2024 at 04:07 PM



Kay was a very special "lady"!

Marcia - March 02, 2024 at 11:28 AM



Kay was such a sweet southern lady. She was a wonderful secretary and a delight to have at Fairfax Elementary. I am so grateful that I got the opportunity to visit with her before leaving for South Carolina. She will be a special memory in my life!
My sympathy to her family and friends. Rest in peace Kay.
Kim Hurley

Tara Kim Hurley - March 04, 2024 at 10:54 PM

KA

“ Love you, Grandma.

Katey - March 01, 2024 at 02:18 PM

JJ

“ What a special special woman Mrs.D was. A true pioneer. You were all very blessed and I was to have known her.

Judy Joned - March 01, 2024 at 02:01 PM

JC

Connie, Larry and Johnny, she was so loved and you were so strong and caring.. so glad she was able to live so long and be among those who treasured her! Sorry for the loss, but I feel she has passed on so peacefully thanks to her children who stayed with her through it all.

Judith (Judy) Disbro Curcio - March 02, 2024 at 11:47 PM

SC

“ What a beautiful life she had and a wonderful loving family, my sympathy's for your loss goes out to all of you. I know she will be missed❤️my love to all Stevie (Carolyn's sister)

stevie caledrone - March 01, 2024 at 12:16 PM