



## Bernice Young

August 25, 1913 - January 14, 2014

Bernice Young, age 100, of Higginsville, Missouri died on Tuesday, January 14, 2014, at Meyer Care Center in Higginsville.

Born Monday, August 25, 1913 in Hodge, Missouri, she was the daughter of the late Jesse Whitfield Edwards and the late Zillah (Branch) Edwards. She was united in marriage to George N. Young on Saturday, August 8, 1942. He preceded her in death Friday, March 21, 1975. Also preceded in death are three brothers, Clark Neale Edwards, David Whitfield Edwards and Charles Jesse Edwards.

After graduating from Lexington High School, she attended Park College where she received her Bachelor of Arts Degree. Mrs. Young worked as an elementary school teacher at Lexington, Mayview and Concordia, Missouri retiring in 1975. She moved to a farm west of Higginsville in 1942 and was a member of First Presbyterian Church where she served as a church deacon, Sunday school superintendent, a member of the women's organization of the church, and a member of the church choir, often singing solos. She was also a former member of the Prairie Homemakers Club in Higginsville, the Higginsville Federated Women's Club and the National and State Teachers Associations.

Following her husband's death in 1975, she moved to John Knox Village,

which had just opened. While living there, she was an active volunteer and resident.

Surviving are two sons, Charles N. (Pam) Young of Chattanooga, Tennessee and David B. (Judy) Young of Windsor, Missouri, four grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

A Funeral service will be at 10:30 A.M. on Saturday, January 18, 2014, at the First Presbyterian Church, 111 Fairground Ave. Higginville, with Rev. Jay Kim officiating and Melody Coen as organist. Interment will be in the Higginville City Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. on Saturday prior to the service at the church. Suggested Memorials in lieu of flowers are to the First Presbyterian Church or Crossroads Hospice.

Pallbearers are Scott Young, Paul Young, Jill Hamming, Alan Bear, Jimmy Young, and W.N. Gray.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.hoeferfuneralhome.com](http://www.hoeferfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bernice Young*

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Bernice Young*

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *Bernice Young*

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ *Bernice Young*

January 31, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *Dave & Judy:*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family*

**Jo & Lauri Roberts** - April 28, 2018 at 10:37 AM

SW

“ Charles and family,  
Sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. I know you will miss her.  
You will have a lot of fond memories of her to relate to family  
members, I am sure.  
You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.  
Sharon Heldt Wampler

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**Sharon Wampler** - April 28, 2018 at 10:37 AM

SF

“ Dear Charles and Family,  
  
I want to extend my sympathy to you on the passing of Bernice. I  
know you have many fond memories of her to keep in your hearts.  
May the Lord lift your burden during this time of sorrow.  
Sharon Fischer

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**Sharon Fischer** - April 28, 2018 at 10:37 AM

CW

“ Charles... Alan and I send our sympathy to you and your family. You  
are blessed to have had your mother in your life much longer than  
most of us, and we are confident that you have many rich memories  
of her. I enjoyed reading her obituary. Although I didn't know your  
mother personally, she sounds like a wonderfully active and  
dedicated lady. I know you will miss her.

Your HHS Class of '62 friend,  
Carol Weatherford

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**Carol Proett Weatherford** - April 28, 2018 at 10:37 AM

CC

“Mrs. Young” was my favorite teacher . . . At Mayview School, she taught me in both 3rd and 4th grade. I'd like to think I was one of her favorite students, as I recall her as encouraging, smiling and approachable. I made up my mind, then, to be a teacher someday - just like her. And, yes - I did teach 3rd grade for 5 years in St.Louis . . . just like "Mrs.Young".

I would see her at JohnKnox, quite often, after my mother moved in. I must have spent about an hour with her one day, touring her apartment. A few years later, I was very sad, when I met her in the elevator, and she didn't remember me.

She was very special to me !

Connie Starke Cope

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Connie Starke Cope - April 28, 2018 at 10:37 AM

MS

“ My condolences on the loss of Mrs. Young. My parents are residents of JKV so I had seen her over the past few years, I'm not sure she remembered me. I remember her, she made a lasting impression and I want to share that. She was my 3rd grade teacher at Concordia Elementary. When we moved from Columbia to Concordia, I was behind in my handwriting, not having started cursive. Mrs. Young set me up by her desk (mortified me at the time of course) and spend a lot of time teaching me cursive handwriting to catch me up with the other kids. To this day, I have very nice handwriting for a man which is often commented on and I recall the story of my 3rd grade teacher who took a lot of extra time to teach me the right way to write. I can loop my "r" and curl my "q" like nobody's business thanks to Mrs. Young. I'm sure I am only one of many students upon whom she made a lasting impression which is the best gift a teacher can give. Remembering Mrs. Young and sending condolences on her passing.

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Michael Short - April 28, 2018 at 10:37 AM



“ *We are sending our condolences and thinking of your family at this sad time. Bernice was a beautiful woman and she lived a long and wonderful life. You must have many wonderful memories.*

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January 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM