



Armilla Berry

September 22, 1922 - April 1, 2020

Armilla Berry, born at home south of Murrayville on September 22, 1922, went to be with her Lord on April 1, 2020. She was the daughter of David D. Orchard and Daisy McKean Orchard. She married Byron A. Berry, Sr., January 23, 1944, at his home in rural Bluffs. Together they had two children, Linda and Byron, Jr.

Armilla graduated from Bluffs High School with the class of 1940. She attended Hardin Brown Business College and started her career at G. L. Hills Real Estate. During World War II, she worked at Nesco and later Klump Oil Company in Jacksonville. She then worked in the office at National Starch and Chemical in Meredosia and retired after 29 years of service.

During her lifetime, she volunteered with many organizations including Cub Scouts, Little League, Bread of Love, and the Bluffs American Legion. She was a member of the Royal Neighbors of America for 80 years beginning as a junior member. She also was a member of AFSME retirees Sub Chapter 82 serving as treasurer for a time, Jacksonville Senior Center, served on the board of West Central Mass Transit, Exeter Cemetery Board, and served as judge of elections for many years. She and Byron enjoyed camping, traveling and visiting with those they met along the way. She will be remembered as giving great hugs. Armilla was a member of the Naples United Methodist

Church and loved the little church dearly and served on many committees.

Surviving are her daughter Linda L. Mueller (deceased husband Lari) of Bluffs, son Byron A. Berry Jr, wife Brenda of Carrollton, grandchildren Mindy Carter (Jody), Lance Mueller (Leslea) all of Bluffs, Matt Berry of Carrollton and Nadia Berry of St. Louis, three great grandchildren Michael Meyer (Katie) of Jacksonville, Logan Carter (fiancée Mercedes Hernandes) of Meredosia, A.J. Mattingly of Bluffs, in addition she considered Zach Siegler among her great grandchildren. Armilla has a fifth-generation grandchild Olin Carter and another on the way. She is also survived by two nieces, Judy Martin and Ronda Schmidt, and her very dear friend Bob Christa. She loved her family and always looked forward to family gatherings at holidays and special events.

Armilla was preceded in death by her husband Byron, her parents, David and Daisy, stepfather Charles Hayes, and a brother David B. Orchard (surviving wife Corrine).

For everyone's protection during this Coronavirus pandemic, she will have a private graveside service and a celebration of life at a later date. Memorials are suggested to Naples Methodist Church or Scott County Nursing Center. Daws Family Funeral Home in Winchester is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Armillia Berry*

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *Armillia leaves the legacy of a life well-lived and well-loved. With the fondest memories of Uncle Dave, as well... Grace and Peace.*

Tim and Stephanie Chipman - April 11, 2020 at 03:30 PM



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Tim and Stephanie Chipman - April 11, 2020 at 03:29 PM



“ *We are grateful for the times we could share with Armilla - through Uncle Dave and Aunt Corrine, especially. Armilla always had a smile and a warm greeting. Know of our thoughts and prayers for you, her family. Peace and comfort from our Lord Jesus Christ.
Janet and Bob Chipman*

Janet W Chipman - April 08, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ *We will always keep "Grandma Berry" in our hearts. Such a wonderful and kind lady*

Mike and Anita Haack from Nebraska - April 04, 2020 at 11:32 AM

JK

“ Linda, I was sad to read about your Armillas passing. I only knew her from seeing her at the farmers market, but she was always happy and ready to visit with you. So sorry for your loss. Judy Kaz



Judy Kazmierski - April 04, 2020 at 10:25 AM

MM

“ I was so saddened to receive Byron's note about the recent loss of Armilla and I extend my sympathies to the whole family. Starting way back in college, I would hear stories from my husband, Lee, about the wonderful weekends he would spend at the Berry house. He felt loved, safe and was treated as family, and they treated me the same. She was open and gracious and loving and will be missed. My prayers are with you all. Meredith Minier

Meredith Minier - April 04, 2020 at 09:50 AM

JC

“ A one of a kind. Always greeted with a hug. So sorry for your loss. Judy



Judy Cannon - April 02, 2020 at 08:53 PM

CP

“ Dear Linda, Byron & family - our condolences on the passing of Armilla. She was, without question, one of the kindest and loveliest people I've ever met.

Craig & Sandy Prunty - April 02, 2020 at 02:33 PM

DB

“ *Armilla was a priceless human being, once you met her, you knew you had a friend for life! She had a smile for everyone. Praise God for allowing her in our lives, we are richer for knowing her!*

Donna. Bradley - April 02, 2020 at 01:40 PM

DT

“ *Armilla was a very kind lady. She always brought me small size cucumbers I needed for sweet pickle Recipe I made. She would Stop by Buchheits on her way home from the Farmers Market. I never Saw her without her beautiful smile. My Sympathy to her family. Donna Tegeder Meredosia, IL*

Donna Tegeder - April 02, 2020 at 01:12 PM

DB

“ *Armilla was a friend to everyone - she made me feel special every time I saw her, whether at church or in the Scott County Nursing Center. And always so thoughtful. Mark reminded me of the cards she sent to each of our children when they graduated from high school even though she didn't know them very well; just one of the many kind things she did to share her love. I don't remember ever seeing her in a bad mood! She was one of the women I strive to imitate and I will surely miss her.*

Debbie Bicknell - April 02, 2020 at 12:44 PM

BP

“ We are so sorry to read about Armilla's passing. We always enjoyed visiting with her at the Farmers Market, South Side, and LaGrange. She was a very special person and will be missed. She was secretary at National Starch and chemical where Bob worked. Always pleasant. Our sincere sympathy to your family. She will be missed.

Bob & Pauline Perry - April 02, 2020 at 10:48 AM

DF

“ Linda, Byron and families,
Our heartfelt sympathy in the loss of your beautiful mom.
She was an incredible person and we will miss her dearly 🙏❤️

Deb and Bob Freesen - April 02, 2020 at 09:22 AM

JS

“ So sorry to read of the death of your Mother.. It looks like she had a long pleasant life and was so helpful to others. Please accept my condolences and prayers. Jan Scroggins.

Jan Scroggins - April 02, 2020 at 09:16 AM

WH

“ Armilla was an encouragement to me and other members of Two By Two. I will certainly miss seeing her smile and the kind words she always had for us. May God grant her surviving family His peace and strength during this trying time. I look forward to singing with Armilla in the heavenly choir and being able to give you a hug Linda. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Wes and Linda Hendricker

Wes Hendricker - April 02, 2020 at 06:10 AM

BS

“ Ms. Armilla was always ready with a hug for me and my granddaughter whenever we saw her. We always thought so sweetly of her. God sure did get a sweet, sweet Angel.

Becky Sampson - April 01, 2020 at 11:58 PM

MC

“ My deepest sympathy for the family of such an amazing woman. I met Armilla at Jacksonville Senior Center playing bingo as we sat at the same table. She so much reminded me of my Great Grandma in her looks & mannerism. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. RIP Armilla.

Marjorie Constant - April 01, 2020 at 07:53 PM

ML

“ My heart breaks for Armilla's family. She was such a good friend and I have missed her since she went to nursing home. We at the Jacksonville Senior Center have missed her at bingo.



Marilyn and Ron Lawless - April 01, 2020 at 07:48 PM

RS

“ Aunt Armilla always made me feel “at home” as she asked about my life and my family, never once complaining as she became wheelchair bound. She spent one of my dad's last nights with me in his hospital room and we held hands and prayed. She loved life. She cherished Uncle Byron and her family. And, she held her faith close to her heart. I am proud she was my aunt and I pray she can now share her hugs with all our family in Heaven.

Ronda Schmidt - April 01, 2020 at 07:39 PM

ST

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you. She was such a dear sweet lady. I was privileged to have been her pastor.*

Stacy Tomich - April 01, 2020 at 05:18 PM