



Sharon Ruth Preece

July 29, 1954 - April 24, 2022

Sharon "Ruth" Preece (Crago), 67, of New Straitsville, Ohio passed away on April 24, 2022. She left this life much like she lived it since her stroke in 2016. Taking a nap. After eating her favorite cherry tarts, she took a nap and decided now was the time to move on to the next stage of living. Ruth's family and friends are completely shattered that this little dynamo has been called home but will always cherish the memories and life of our Ruthie.

Ruth was born on July 29, 1954, in Circleville, Ohio to John and Orpha Crago. Ruth's feisty personality made one think she was 7 ft. tall and fearless. In reality, she was 4 ft. 11" and fearless. She never hesitated to let you know how she felt. Whether she was happy, sad or angry...You knew. You always knew where you stood with her and depending on where you stood; that could be really bad or really good. For your sake, we hope you were on her good side. If not, we as her family, apologize for any profanity or closely veiled threats that may have been directed toward you. Anger management wasn't her thing.

Ruth was an advocate for decriminalizing cannabis as she stated often, "Any man-made pharmaceutical was poison to the body" and the current drug epidemic is proof she was right. When she had a stroke in 2016 and then diagnosed with brain cancer in 2020, she chose to partake in cannabis as a pain reliever, appetite booster and anti-anxiety supplement versus using opioids. Wait! Who are we kidding? She was a fan of cannabis for most of her adult life. Obituaries are supposed to be an honest assessment of one's life, right? Although the stroke left her immobile on the left side of her body, she was still able to grip her one-hitter using her right hand, with a strength that could bring a grown man to his knees.

In 2019, Ruth decided she could live on her own and rented her own apartment much to our dismay. This is when Tanya, Randy, Joe and Candace became her caretakers. She lived in her own apartment for one year before grudgingly admitting she couldn't manage everything on her own. She then moved in with her daughter and son in law, Tanya and Randy. While Tanya worked, Joe and Candace would stay with Ruth and take care of her needs. It was like monitoring a defiant teenager who created her own self entertainment.

This could mean flipping you the bird if she wanted attention or creating a little white lie to get a reaction out of someone. We aren't going to claim it was easy, but we wouldn't have had it any other way. The memories of Ruth sitting in her wheelchair and giggling to herself after one of these episodes will forever be looked back on with a smile and laughter.

The only thing she loved more than her one-hitter, was her family and friends. If you've managed to read this lengthy obituary thus far, then feel free to scroll through the names of this continuously growing family to see who you may know.

Preceded in death by the love of her life, Husband Bobby Preece Sr. (married 42 years), Daughter Helen "Chris" Myers, Brother Rodney Crago, Daughter in law Lisa Smith, Great granddaughters Peighton Clemons, Evlynn Roche.

Survived By Children: Tanya & Randy Miller, Bobby & Harley Preece, Heather & Toby Davis, Chad & Kaitlyn Preece, Wanda & Philip Molyneux; grandchildren: Candace & Joe Reichley, Austin & Lindsey Miller, Steven & Misty Myers, Dustin and Creighton Myers, Cameron & Macy Preece, Melody, Lillian, Harleigh, Serenity and Holden Preece, Brendon & Jess Davis, Riley & Jen Davis, Matthew Sparks, Corrine Davis, Derek & Abby Preece, Jocelynn, Devlynn, Jady Preece (Gage) Madi Preece and Able; sister: Eva Tate; daughter-in-law: Crystal Danner; son-in-law: Steve Myers; several great-grandchildren; niece and nephews: Travis Tate, Rodney and Andrea Crago; special nieces: Shannon & Shawn Clegg, Dena Mareno & Adolfo Rivas Dear Friends Loretta Wham and Jackie Roller.

Per Ruth's wishes Morgan Funeral Home will be handling her final arrangements. The one aspect of death that she welcomed (Sorry, Sherri) was that Mr. Mark Morgan would be the one preparing her for her final journey. Thank you, Mark. I'm sure she is smiling reallll big. We realize Ruth's arrangements are somewhat delayed, but due to her wishes and Mr. Morgan being out of town at the time of her death, we had to prolong her services until he returned. Had we not, we would have been on her bad side after death, and can only imagine what punishments she could dole out as an "angel" . All jokes aside, THANK YOU, Mark, Tom and staff for always treating our family with nothing but respect, compassion and dignity. It's been a rough few years, and we couldn't have gotten through the heartaches without you all.

Services are as follows: Morgan Funeral Home, 124 Fort Street, Bremen, Ohio 43107. Viewing is Sunday, May 1st from 2-5 PM and the service is Monday, May 2nd at 4PM. Graveside services will follow at Salem Chapel Cemetery Junction City, Ohio. Celebration

of life dinner after graveside service at: American Legion in Bremen, Ohio. 201 N. Broad Street 43107.

We will miss Ruth so much. Her sense of humor, her laughter, and most of all...The undying love and deep loyalty she showed family and friends. Those left behind will always feel an emptiness in our hearts, unlike Ruth's one-hitter that was always packed full. Until we meet again, fly "high", Ruth. You were and are so loved. Thank you for being you and thank you for loving us. Your final chapter has been written, and all your lessons learned. We will take it from here. We learned from the best.

Maybe it's not about the happy ending. Maybe it's simply about the story.

Cemetery Details

Salem Chapel Cemetery

Marietta Road
Junction City, OH 43748

Previous Events

Viewing

MAY 1. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Morgan Funeral Home
124 Fort Street
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<https://www.morganfhbremenohio.com>

Service

MAY 2. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Brenda Bailey lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ruth Preece*



Brenda Bailey - April 30 at 11:11 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Sharon Ruth Preece.*



April 30 at 10:55 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Ruth Preece.*



April 29 at 11:44 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Sharon Ruth Preece.*



April 28 at 06:02 PM



“ *Touching Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Sharon Ruth Preece.*



April 27 at 08:52 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Sharon Ruth Preece.



April 27 at 01:27 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Sharon Ruth Preece.



April 26 at 06:59 PM



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April 26 at 05:15 PM

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“ I was never able to best Ruthie whilst breaking balls with her but I always felt good when she acknowledged (with a chuckle) that I had come close. Every thought she had and every word she spoke was original. My favorite story she told while Bobby was alive is some weekends he would sleep until noon without going to the bathroom. When he did go he was there for several minutes straight taking care of buisness. She said she would listen to that and it made her proud. I'll never forget you Ruthie and I'm a better person for knowing you.

Skip Allen - April 26 at 05:12 PM



“ Ruthie, so much to say with such little space. I loved you like a second mother. Hell, alot of the times you were here more than my own family. I have been so numb since you've passed, I've told stories of our "cougar" encounters, I've cried & I've laughed. You were truly a remarkable woman & left an impact in everyone you've met. I will cherish every memory. Forever in my heart, I love you.

Crystal Danner - April 26 at 02:05 PM