



## Catherine Boyd

January 24, 1918 - July 8, 2010

Catherine E "Katy" Boyd age 92 of Dixon died Thursday July 8, 2010 at Dixon Health Care and Rehabilitation Center. She was born January 24, 1918 in Dixon the daughter of Carl and Regina (Haas) Buchner. She had been a pilot and flight instructor for 20 years prior to retirement and then worked as an office administrator for Olen-Tangy Associates in Columbus, OH. She was a graduate of Dixon High School and McMurray College in Jacksonville and did post graduate work at Northern Illinois University. She authored 3 flight instruction and weather textbooks and was a member of the Aviation/Space Writers Association. She is also an inductee to the Women's International Aviation Hall of Fame in Cleveland, OH. She was a member First United Methodist Church in Dixon and Broadway Methodist Church in Columbus OH. She was a member of the 99's Women's Aviation Group and had been a Girl Scout Leader. She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother Carl Buchner Jr. She is survived by her daughter Barbara Fane of Dixon and son James Alan Boyd of Newton, NJ, 4 grandchildren Marty Fane, Roxanne (Dan) Mahan, Lynette Kirk, Cindy (Derek) Griffith, 6 great grandchildren, Nick Mahan, Alex Mahan, Haley Kirk, Conar Kirk, Jenna Griffith and Logan Griffith. Funeral services will be on Monday July 12, 2010 at 11:00 AM in the First United Methodist Church in Dixon with the Rev. Tony Hawkins officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Dixon. Visitation will be on Monday from 10:00 to 11:00 AM at the Church. A memorial has been established to the First United Methodist Church in Dixon.



# Tribute Wall



“ Catherine Boyd

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ Catherine Boyd

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ Dear Barb & Jim,

*I was fortunate enough to see your mother in 2006 when I came to Dixon to see a friend. We had such a wonderful visit and she was exactly as I had always remembered her.*

*I have so many memories of your folks and mine and now I have all their old photos and movies.*

*Our mothers were such dear friends for so very long. Now they are together again.*

*I know how hard this time is since I lost my mother in 2008. The pain does ease with time and the wonderful memories you have will be with you forever.*

*I will keep you all in my prayers and of course Katy.*

*Love always,  
Mimi*

Mimi (Rowe) Robles - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ Meeting K. T. Boyd was an honor. She loaned our museum her scrapbooks and I made copies of them for a file on her and designed an exhibit on her aviation career. When she saw the exhibit she said, "It's all here."

*I returned her scrapbooks to her at her home in Columbus, Ohio and spent a pleasant afternoon talking about aviation, Ronald Reagan (who had taught her to swim), ebono apes and life.*

*She was one of the greats.*

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**Cris Takacs** - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I'm poised at my keyboard and don't even know where to begin. How can one share the significance of a friend such as you were to me, my husband, and family. We all met in the community theater group, the "Dixon Community Players" in the 1960s and we danced our way through so many good years...and bad. Grace and Paul Rowe and their kids, Jim and I and the first two of our five...we just had such wonderful times!

*Oh well, right now I just want to remember all those nights dancing at the Rainbow Inn - going to the ballets in Chicago...and my then 4-year old son Jimmy (he's now 45) unhitching your U-Haul trailer from your car when we were visiting across the lawn - oh yes, and those liverwurst sandwiches with mayo we used to eat when I'd go along when you and Al were water skiing so you'd have a 3rd party to watch the skier. I just listened to my portable radio and smeared on the sun-tan lotion.*

*You had to know how much you were loved and rest assured will never be forgotten.*

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**June Parker Beck** - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HW

“ Our sympathy to you in your loss (especially to Barb Fane and Roxie Mahan.) We did not know Katy personally but she must have been a very talented person. Our dear friends Eleanor and "Andy" Anderson did know her and often spoke of her many accomplishments. Unfortunately Andy is gone and Eleanor has some memory problems that prevent her from remembering lots of people and events from the past. Again, our condolences to all of you.

*Hal and Jane Weaver*

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**Hal and Jane Weaver** - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Our sympathy to Katie's family. We so enjoyed getting to know "K.T." and hear her stories about flying! Be assured that her aviation history is a permanent part of our archives. She is fondly remembered by our entire staff.

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**Connie Luhta** - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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**rmozwagwxj** - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM