

Marietta J. Bicknell

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Obituary for Marietta J. Bicknell W'53

Marietta J. Bicknell, 81, passed away March 3, 2017 in Elmcroft Senior Living Center, Exeter Township.

She was the wife of the late Harry K. Bicknell .

Born in Reading, she was the daughter of the late Antonio and Amelia (Piro) DiBlasi.

Marietta was a 1953 graduate of Central Catholic High School.

She was employed by the Caron Foundation for over 10 years until her retirement in 1987.

Marietta was a member of Berks Bible Church, Shillington.

She enjoyed cooking for family and guests, and spoiling her grandchildren. She was known for her overwhelming generosity and perfectionism, and was always a classy lady. Marietta was a snowbird in Port Orange, Florida for many years, where she loved to entertain visits from her family. Some of her favorite sayings were "Don't be fresh!" and "Do you want your children to swear?"

She is survived by her daughter, Debra L., wife of Mark Hallacher, Reading; grandchildren, Jason M., husband of Courtney J. Hallacher, Verona, VA; and Sarah K. Hallacher, Brooklyn, NY. She is also survived by two nieces, Bonnie, wife of James Dixon, Stafford, VA; Diane, wife of John Renninger, West Lawn, PA; one nephew, David, husband of Wendy DiBlasi, Daytona Beach, FLA and five great nieces and nephews.

Marietta was predeceased by her brother Russell DiBlasi.

Services will be held Saturday, March 11, 2017 at 11:30 am in the Chapel of Resurrection in Gethsemane Cemetery. Viewing will be held from 9 to 11 am in the Edward J. Kuhn Funeral Home, West Reading. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Elmcroft of Reading, 9 Colin Ct, Reading, PA 19606 or the Alzheimer's Disease Association, 237 Court St, Reading, PA 19601. Edward J. Kuhn Funeral Home Inc., West Reading is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be recorded at www.kuhnfuneralhomes.com