



Alice C. Rupp

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RUPP, Alice Carolyn, age 92, of Waterville, passed away peacefully on Monday, September 27, 2010 at Sunset House in Toledo. Alice was born October 1, 1917 to Herman Utz Rupp and Phillippine Beil Rupp (both deceased) in Waterville, where she grew up. Alice obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree from Bowling Green State University in 1939 and her MLS degree in Library Science in 1940 from Western Reserve University. She was selected to The Marquis Who's Who in American Women in 1977-1978. From 1940 to 1978 Alice worked at the Toledo Lucas County Public Library and served as the Director/Head of the Art-Music-Sports Department and Fine Arts and Records Department. Among the various posts she held with the library, she was the First Assistant in the Art/Music/Drama Department of the Flint Pubic Library during a one-year hiatus from the Toledo Public Libraries in 1959-1960. Alice traveled to every continent with the exception of the Antarctic. She gave travel and slide lectures, as well as numerous nature lectures to many local area groups and organizations. Alice traveled extensively to many countries and studied various arts and cultures while on these travels. Alice took numerous courses in Arts and Crafts from the Toledo Museum of Art, the University of Toledo and the Arrowmount School of Arts and Crafts/University of Tennessee. She enjoyed a special interest in courses related to art glass, antique china, and design techniques. Her musical interests included studies through the advanced level on the recorder and she played numerous woodwind and string instruments and the organ. Alice

served as a volunteer naturalist for the Toledo Metroparks for over 10 years, commencing with her retirement in 1978. She also served as a volunteer at the Lutheran Home, Toledo, Ohio for many years. Her memberships included the Toledo Naturalists (life member), Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo Botanical Gardens, Waterville Historical Society (life member), Toledo Metroparks, and Nature Conservancy (where she was recognized as a special benefactor to the Nature Conservancy of Ohio, from whom she received an honorary life membership). Left to cherish her memory are numerous cousins and friends. Alice leaves a legacy through the Waterville Historical Society where many of the items from her father's store, the Rupp Canal Store, can be seen, along with numerous pictures and documents recording the family's history in Waterville. Per her wishes, Alice's body was donated to the University of Toledo Medical Center. We wish to thank the staff of Browning Masonic Community, Interim HealthCare, Sunset House and Ashanti Hospice for the loving and compassionate care of Alice these past few years. Donations in Alice's name may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Condolences can be left on the Ansberg-West Funeral Home website at: www.ansberg-west.com. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, October 24 at 1:00 p.m. in the Solarium at the Manor House in Wildwood Preserve Metropark.