## A BIRD IN A GILDED CAGE

Arthur J. Lamb and Harry Von Tilzer

The ballroom was filled with fashion's throng, It shone with a thousand lights, And there was a woman who passed along, The fairest of all the sights: A girl to her lover then softly sighed, "There's riches at her command." "But she married for wealth, not for love," he cried, "Though she lives in a mansion grand."

<u>Chorus</u>: She's only a bird in a gilded cage, A beautiful sight to see, You may think she's happy and free from care, She's not, though she seems to be, 'Tis sad when you think of her wasted life, For youth cannot mate with age, And her beauty was sold, for an old man's gold, She's a bird in a gilded cage.

> TILL WE MEET AGAIN Raymond B. Egan and Richard A. Whiting

There's a song in the land of the lily Each sweetheart has heard with a sigh. Over high garden walls this sweet echo falls As a solider boy whispers goodbye.

<u>Chorus</u>: Smile the while you kiss me a sad adieu. When the clouds roll by I'll come to you. Then the skies will seem more blue Down in lovers lane, my dearie. Wedding bells will ring so merrily, Ev'ry tear will be a memory. So wait and pray each night for me till we meet again.

Tho' goodbye means the birth of a tear drop, Hello means the birth of a smile. And the smile will erase the tear blighting trace When we meet in the after-a-while. A Service of Remembrance and Celebration of the Life of

Saralu Chamberlain



August 8, 2021 Mayflower Congregational Church Lansing, Michigan

Chorus

Saralu Mary (Knisely) Chamberlain, age 101, a vibrant and creative woman, passed away July 17, 2021. Born in Channing, MI, on October 26, 1919, Saralu moved as a child with her parents and three siblings to Jackson, MI, where she met her future husband, Gordon, while attending Jackson High School. It was not until several years later that they became an "item" as they sang together in the Calvary United Methodist Church choir directed by Gordon's mother. They were married in 1945 after Gordon returned from his WWII duties and moved to Lansing in 1949 where they raised their four children.

Saralu was at her best when she was doing for others. She excelled as a homemaker, finding, among other things, fun ways to entertain her children on rainy days and cooking intricate dinners every night. She was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader, a volunteer at Sparrow Hospital, the American Red Cross Telecare Program, Mobile Meals, the Gier Park School P.T.A., and the WKAR Radio Talking Book Program, as well as participating in P.E.A., the Northside Action Center, and singing in church choirs for many years. She was never afraid to talk to anyone or lend them a helping hand and, without fanfare, advocated for people less fortunate than herself. She believed in equality for everyone and voted in last November's election.

Saralu was predeceased by her parents, Myrtle and Holton Knisely, her three siblings, her husband Gordon, her son Albert, daughter Carol Parker, and grandson Miles Chamberlain. She is survived by her daughters Cynthia Chamberlain (Thomas Marple) of Sequim, WA, and Barbara Fuller (Jerry) of DeWitt, six grandsons and seven greatgrandchildren who all thought the world of her.

In lieu of flowers, Saralu's family is asking that you consider making donations to Mayflower Congregational Church, Meals on Wheels, or WKAR Radio or Television.

As a final act of selflessness, Saralu donated her body to the M.S.U. Willed Body Program. She was quite a woman!

## Saralu Chamberlain

October 26, 1919 - July 17, 2021

Medley: "Stormy Weather" and "You Are My Sunshine" (These selections express sadness, then peacefulness, then joy.)

Greetings and Welcome

Prayer

Hymn 432: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Scripture Reading: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Solo: "Amazing Grace" Traditional American Melody, arr. Jack Schrader

Family Reflections

Hymn 395: "How Can I Keep From Singing"

Eulogy and Meditation

Solo (see back): "A Bird in a Gilded Cage" Arthur J. Lamb and Harry Von Tilzer

Benediction

Postlude: "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" Johann S. Bach, arr. Victor L. Gumma

## **Service Participants**

Minister:	Rev. Mark McCormick
Pianist:	DeeAnn McCormick
Reader:	Jerry Fuller
Speakers:	Aaron Fuller, Ryan Fuller, Roger Kennedy
•	Barbara Fuller
Special Music:	Aaron Fuller, Ryan Fuller, Barbara Fuller,
•	Lorraine Finison, Shannon Quinn

Please join the family for ice cream sundaes in the Friendship Center.