



Erma Bombeck

1927 – 1996

Inducted 1997

Erma Bombeck was a Dayton native who made millions laugh with her down to earth humor. Her writing career started in high school writing for the school paper, *The Owl*, as well as the *Dayton Herald*. She pursued a journalist education at Ohio University only to ultimately graduate from University of Dayton with a degree in English. After graduation, she wrote for publications such as: *Dayton Journal Herald*, *Kettering-Oakwood Times*, *Good Housekeeping*, *Reader's Digest*, *Family Circle*, *Redbook*, *McCall's* and even *Teen Magazine*. She grew to become a nationally syndicated writer reaching over 900 newspapers. Erma also wrote 12 books, became a well-known radio and television guest, lecturer and graduation speaker. While battling kidney-failure, her humor, courage and eternal optimism would always be present, making her yet again a national role model.

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