



Claudine Powell

August 30, 1928 - January 7, 2025

Claudine Powell, 96, of Bluffton, passed away Tuesday morning January 7, 2025 at Christian Care Retirement Community in Bluffton.

She was born on August 30, 1928, in Bluffton to Ralph and Carol (Schlagenhauf) Hook, and married James E. Powell in 1951. Claudine was a talented homemaker and seamstress. Through the years, she was an active member of Old Salem United Methodist Church and served as the organist. She was also a member of the American Red Cross, Wells County Historical Society, and the Mental Health Association.

She is preceded in death by her husband James, Phoebe Zoll (daughter), and her parents and brothers (Jack and James Hook).

She was loved and is survived by her sisters, Anna Lee Ault of Bluffton and Armatha Green of Ft. Wayne, a brother, Jerry Hook of Bluffton, her daughters, Pamela Durdahl and Carol Powell, both of Bluffton, six grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

A private service is being planned. Burial will be at Living Water Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Wells County Boys & Girls Club and directed through the funeral home.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Lemler family of Thoma/Rich Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends may share online condolences with the family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Old Salem Cemetery

6486S 700E
Bluffton, IN

Tribute Wall

RH

“ *Such a loving warm woman. She will be missed by all. It was such a joy when she worked with me at my bridal shop. Her family meant everything to her. Heaven received another angel.* ”



Rebecca Hayes - February 22, 2025 at 06:54 AM

SR

“ *Our prayers on the passing of Claudine. Many good memories of her and Jim while doing their taxes. Claudine had spunk and grace and this was passed on to her daughter, Pam. May the family sense the prayers of many on their behalf. Steve & Myra Ringger* ”

Steve Ringger - January 14, 2025 at 02:09 PM

DO

“ *My condolences to the family. Sorry to hear of Claudine's passing. Appreciated all that she did for me while i was singing specials,etc. She will be missed!* ”

Dan Oswald - January 13, 2025 at 09:49 AM

DO

“ *Claudine is so special to us. She loved her family and her church family. Prayers for all of you.* ”

Dave and Barb Oswald - January 11, 2025 at 12:49 AM

AG

“ Our family met Claudine when she started working at the Dutch Mill. She was so special to us. She loved my children as her own and us also. We swam in her pool lots and that is where my youngest who was just a baby (who is in her 30's now) learned to love water so much. Or deepest sympathy. Great memories!

Alice Grogg - January 10, 2025 at 09:12 AM

BM

“ Pam, so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I believe you dad helped remove the trees from our farm to make more ground available for farming. Didn't you mother help with that? God bless you and you sister's as you grieve. Praying that the peace of Jesus will help you through this time of sorrow.



Barry L McCune - January 10, 2025 at 04:55 AM

BG

“ Anna Lee, Pam, Carol, and all of the family, I am so sorry for the loss of Claudine. She was one SPECIAL person, very pretty so caring. Sending hugs and love to all. ~BJ~



BJ Gray - January 09, 2025 at 02:35 PM

JE

“ To Pam, and family,
Thoughts and sympathies to your family with the passing of Claudine. The Powell family, have and continue to be good people who, make our community great.
Sharon and Jeff Espich

Jeff Espich - January 09, 2025 at 11:52 AM

PG

“ Carol and family, So sorry to about your mom. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Your mom had seen a lot of changes in the world living 96 beautiful years. She has probably told you some great stories.

Penny Gehrett - January 08, 2025 at 03:13 PM

JR

“ Pam and family. So sorry to hear about your Mother. Sending lots of hugs and prayers to you and your family.

Jane Russell - January 08, 2025 at 09:50 AM

DE

“ Denise Eccleston lit a candle in memory of Claudine Powell



Denise Eccleston - January 08, 2025 at 08:53 AM

CD

“ To the family, You have our deepest sympathy on your loss. Claudiine was a wonderful person and muscian. I enjoyed a lot of good times with her. We will keep you all in our prayers. Ed & Celia (Moser) Dunmoyer

Celia K Dunmoyer - January 07, 2025 at 05:26 PM