



## Esther M. Prible

June 17, 1916 - March 8, 2015

Esther M. Prible 98, of Liberty Center passed away at 12:50 a.m. Sunday, March 08, 2015, at River Terrace Estates in Bluffton, where she has resided for the last 11 years.

Esther was born on June 17, 1916 in rural Liberty Center to C. Forest & Dora A. (Miller) Prible. She graduated from Liberty Center High School and obtained her B.S. and Master's Degree from Manchester College. She started teaching in Rockcreek School, in Montpelier and for East Allen County Schools. She retired teaching 5th grade at Village Woods Elementary School after 42 years in public education.

She was a member of the Liberty Center United Methodist Church, where she played the piano and organ for church and was active in the United Methodist Women. She was also a member of the Liberty Center Homemakers Club, Daughters of the American Revolution, Indiana State Teachers Association along with the National Educators Association and was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Wells Community Hospital. She enjoyed traveling and there are only two states she did not visit. She explored Europe three times, Alaska twice and enjoyed traveling to the Holy Land with different groups of ladies, especially the Sellers Sisters.

Esther is survived by nine nephews and nieces: David Prible of Bluffton,

Saundra Bergman of Jerome, MI, Sara Pursifull of Bluffton, Susie Ellison of Bluffton, Larry Prible of Carmel, IN, Jane Givens of Greenwood, Ray Prible of Reedville, Virginia, Janet Herring of Bluffton and Kathy Denig of Fort Wayne along with many great-nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by four brothers; John, Harold, Paul & Edwin Prible and two sisters; Mary Moses and Martha Morris.

A service to celebrate Esther's life will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday (March 13, 2015) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Pastor Jerry Qualls will officiate. Calling hours will be held from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral home and for one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at Mossburg Cemetery in Liberty Center. Memorials may be given in Esther's memory to Liberty Center United Methodist Church. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mossburg Cemetery

1300S 550W  
Liberty Center, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 12. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Visitation

MAR 13. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Service

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**MAR 13.** 10:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - March 12, 2015 at 02:09 PM



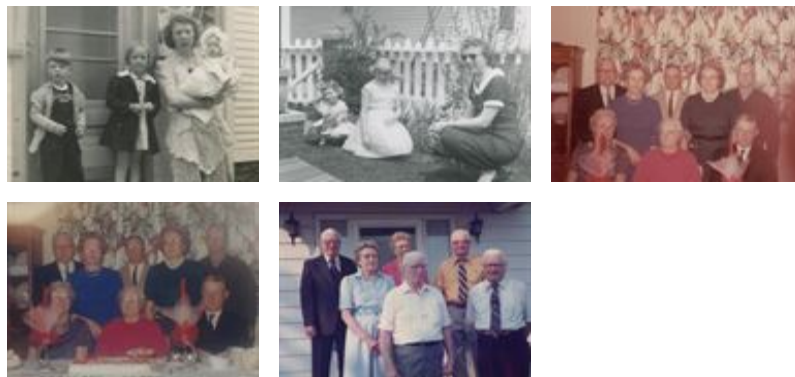
“ *Esther M. Prible*

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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - March 11, 2015 at 02:53 PM



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Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - March 11, 2015 at 10:35 AM

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“ The year after my mother passed away in 1958, Aunt Esther came to stay the better part of her summer break with my dad and me, taking care of our home, fixing meals and being a "nanny" to me during that time. My dad tried to persuade her to stay on in the fall, but her dedication to teaching called her back to New Haven and her commitment to classroom. I'll never forget that summer and the sacrifice Aunt Esther made for our family during that difficult time. I don't know that I ever really properly thanked her for what she had done for this young man growing up, but it really made a difference in my life. Thanks to you, Aunt Esther!

Ray Prible

Ray Prible - March 10, 2015 at 11:47 AM

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“ Your Aunt Esther was a very special lady. I remember her dropping into Martha and Janet's while I was visiting with my twin during school vacations We know she is in a much better place but are thankful for her life. Carol Morrival Schreiber

Carol Morrival Schreiber - March 09, 2015 at 08:24 PM



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