



Joyce A. Smith - Shady

November 14, 1931 - May 4, 2024

Joyce A. Smith – Shady, 92 of Bluffton, passed away on Saturday morning, May 4, 2024, at Christian Care Retirement Community in Bluffton.

She was born on November 14, 1931, in Wells County, Indiana to Clifford & Nellie (Pinney) Fryback. Joyce was a 1949 graduate of Liberty Center High School and worked as a respiratory therapist at the Caylor-Nickel Clinic for 12 years, retiring in 1994. She was a longtime member of the First Church of Christ, was active in the P.T.A at school, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and served as a Democratic Committeeman in Wells County.

On March 21, 1949, in Huntington County, Joyce and Ralph Smith were married and he preceded her in death on November 12, 1994. On October 24, 1996, she married Donald E. Shady in Bluffton, and he preceded her in death on November 14, 2021.

Survivors include two sons; Don (Jackie) Smith of Bluffton, and Neal (Vickie) Smith of Lanesville, IN and two daughters Judy Thompson and Sherri (Charlie) Smiley of Bluffton, along with 9 grandchildren.

She is also survived by son-in-law Joe Poffenberger of Bluffton, and a sister, Pat Mossburg of Bluffton.

Joyce is preceded in death by her parents, husbands, a loving daughter, Cynthia Poffenberger and two grandchildren; Corey Poffenberger and Ted Smith.

Funeral Services will take place at 3 P.M. on Wednesday, (May 8, 2024) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Dave Schultz officiating.

Burial will follow at Elm Grove Cemetery in Bluffton.

Visitation will be held from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. on Wednesday, prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the First Church of Christ.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Jeff & Jamie Lemler of Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124
Bluffton, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

MAY 8. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joyce A. Smith - Shady*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - May 08, 2024 at 12:59 PM

LB

“ *Joyce, now I know why no one answered your phone at home. Such a nice lady, you will be missed. ~Love, Linda B.*

Linda Bogner - May 10, 2024 at 08:19 AM

LB

“ *Linda Bogner lit a candle in memory of Joyce Smith - Shady*



Linda Bogner - May 10, 2024 at 08:15 AM

DG

“ Sadden to learn of Joyce’s passing. We always enjoyed taking with Joyce every Sunday and when Don and her would come buy a fish sandwich from us. She will be missed. The Smith-Shady family will be in our prayers. Dan and Darlene Gerdom



Dan Gerdom - May 08, 2024 at 08:36 AM



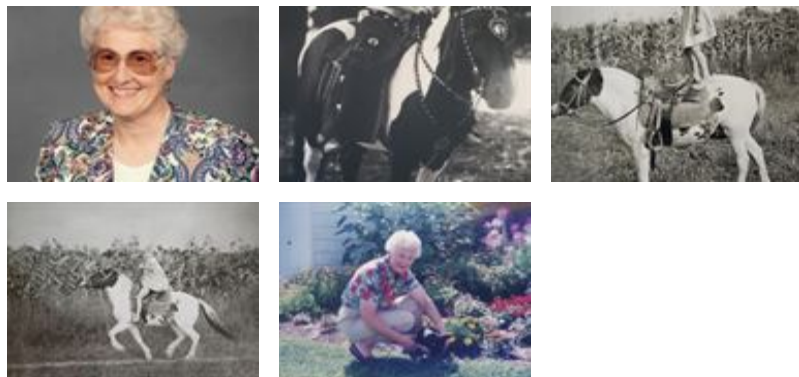
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Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - May 07, 2024 at 04:08 PM



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Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home - May 07, 2024 at 02:57 PM

SF

“*Sherri, I'm so sorry to learn of your mom's passing. Sending prayers of comfort and peace at this difficult time. Love to you and Charlie. Sandy Funk*”



Sandy Geist Funk - May 06, 2024 at 02:54 PM

TM

“*Trudy Murray lit a candle in memory of Joyce Smith - Shady*”



Trudy Murray - May 06, 2024 at 01:47 PM

JD

“*Judy and family, sorry to hear of your mother's passing.*”



Janet DeWitt - May 05, 2024 at 01:39 PM



“*What a wonderful lady with great memories of her.*”

Kathy Gardner - May 04, 2024 at 04:38 PM