



Mrs. Judith A. Ard

May 29, 1943 - May 23, 2013

Judith A. Ard, 69 of Bluffton passed unexpectedly at 5:24 p.m. Thursday, May 23, 2013 at River Terrace Estates in Bluffton.

Judy was born on May 29, 1943 in Huntington, Indiana to Grady J. & Madelyn J. (Stands) Ard. She graduated from Western Michigan University in 1966 with a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration. She worked at Peytons Northern in Bluffton for 12 years and retired from Ard's Finer Foods that she operated for 13 years in southern Indiana. She was a member and lay leader and speaker at the Ossian United Methodist Church for many years.

She is survived by two nephews; Gerald J. (wife Debra) Ard, Jr. of Indianapolis and Garald (wife Shawana) Ard of Greenfield, Indiana, along with a aunt, Eloise Young of Huntington and a cousins; Lionel Kramer, Sally Marlin & Jim Young.

She is preceded in death by her parents and a brother Gerald J. Ard, Sr.

As Judy requested, there will be no calling or funeral service. Friends wishing to make a memorial in her memory can make them to Ossian United Methodist Church and send to them to the funeral home. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to www.thom

arich.com.

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“ *Mrs. Judith A. Ard*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Judy's passing. She will always be part of my memories of growing up in Odon. She hired lots of good looking boys!! lol She was always polite and there.*

Amber Smith Leehe - June 21, 2013 at 01:51 PM



“ *I too remember Judy from her days in Odon and Ard's grocery store. Some business owners today could benefit from having known Judy and the manner in which she ran her business. Always a smile, time for a friendly chat and the customer was always right (even when they weren't). Judy was a true friend to many in this area and was truly missed when she left. May she rest in peace.*

Cynthia Petty - June 05, 2013 at 06:55 PM



“ *Judy Ard was friends of many when she owned our grocery in town of Odon. When you walked into the store she was there greeting her customers personally. She was missed when she left. I had lost track of Judy. I hope her life was good. My sympathy to her family.*
Diana Beasley Byers

Diana Beasley Byers - June 05, 2013 at 12:56 PM

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“ We have many fine memories of Judy. Most everyone around shopped at the Ard's Finer Foods in Odon! I loved it when she put in an ice cream machine. Judy was very involved in our little community and when she left, she was greatly missed. She would be happy to know that her store is now called The Barn and is used for ministry events for young and not so young. My condolences to her family.

Linda Stites

Linda Stites - June 05, 2013 at 09:51 AM

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“ Judy was my first friend at Ossian United Methodist Church. She gave me her Life Application Bible when the print became too small for her to read. The Life Application version of the Bible was a great tool for me and helped me to grow in my faith. Included in the Bible are many verses she had underlined and were important to her. I will always remember her kindness and generosity. Amy DiNovo Hathaway

Amy DiNovo Hathaway - May 26, 2013 at 08:29 AM

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My sympathy to Judy's friends and family. I always admired her energy and her caring nature when she owned the grocery in Odon, my home town. I know everyone felt like she was such an asset to the community in so many ways. Blessings.

Debbie Lawyer - June 05, 2013 at 12:42 PM