



Mary Alice Fritz

February 14, 1923 - September 12, 2011

Mary Alice Fritz, 88 of Bluffton passed away at 7:40 p.m. Monday, September 12, 2011 at Christian Care Community in Bluffton.

Mrs. Fritz was born on February 14, 1923 in Paulding, Ohio to Harry & Nellie (Corwin) Wunder. She grew up in Paulding and graduated from Paulding High School in 1941. She married William G. Fritz on June 16, 1946 in the Simpson United Methodist Church in Fort Wayne. He preceded her in death on May 14, 2001.

She has been an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Bluffton serving on the altar guild for 22 years. She was a member and past president of Psi Iota XI Sorority, and was instrumental in getting a speech therapist in the Bluffton School System. She was also a member of the Elks ladies organization and the Emblem Club. She worked along side her husband Bill as they owned and operated the Fritz Electric Company in Bluffton from 1946 to November of 1983.

Survivors include a daughter Janelle M. (husband Mike) Markovitz of Long Grove, Ill and a son James W. (wife Linda) Fritz of Bluffton, along with 3 grandchildren Michael (wife Leah) Fritz of Tygh Valley, OR., Melanie (husband Bart) Tweedie of Westchester, Ill. and Mark Fritz of Winthrop, Washington and two great-grandchildren Henry & Leila Tweedie.

Mrs. Fritz is preceded in death by her parents, a step-father Fred Smith, two brothers Howard & Gordon Wunder, a step-brother Carl Smith and a grandson, Matthew Fritz.

Friends are invited to gather and share memories with the Fritz family from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday (September 17, 2011) at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Funeral services will follow calling hours at 2:30 p.m. in the funeral home with Rev. Greg Rittenhouse & Rev. Cindy Osgood officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton. Memorials may be made in Mrs. Fritz's memory to the First United Methodist Church. Friends can send online condolences to www.thomarich.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **17**. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
(260) 824-3850
info@thomarich.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Alice Fritz*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Jan and Jim,
I am sorry about Mary Alice. I worked at the store in the 60's and she was always so nice, then we volunteered at the Bargain Hut together, and she was still nice. A very gracious Lady!*

Beryl (BJ) Gray##imported-begin##BJ Gray##imported-end##

September 19, 2011 at 10:45 PM



“ *Jim, Jan and families,*

Mary Alice was a very special lady and I will always remember the good old days and years at Lake Tippy. She and Bill were very near and dear to Mom and Dad. They had a lot of good times together. I did have a chance to visit with her at Christian Care when they moved Mom there. I was surprised we recognized each other, but we did have a nice conversation. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Poppy and Cheryl##imported-begin##Poppy and Cheryl Smith##imported-end##

September 15, 2011 at 08:46 PM



“ Jim and Linda we would like to give our condolences to you and your children on the loss of your Mother and their grandmother Mary. She will truly be missed by all. You have our deepest sympathy. Steve and Marilyn###imported-begin###Steve and Marilyn Thrasher###imported-end##

September 14, 2011 at 08:21 PM



“ Dear Jim and Linda....
So sorry for your recent loss, may your memories comfort you in this time of grief.###imported-begin###Jeannie Penrod Flowers###imported-end##

September 14, 2011 at 03:28 PM



“ Jan, You and your family, and Jim and his family have our sympathy on your loss. Mom's are always special. I will not be available to stop at the funeral home, but our class of 65 also expresses sympathy to you. If you have any updated info on email or address, please let me know - we miss you at our reunions.

Trudy & Fred###imported-begin###Trudy Murray###imported-end##

September 14, 2011 at 03:26 PM



“ You and your families are in my thoughts. Janie###imported-begin###Jane Hamilton Seiller###imported-end##

September 14, 2011 at 03:20 PM



“ *The Fritz's family has my sympathy and prayers at this sad time. I will be missing seeing her on my Friday mornings at Christian Care. I am also very proud of her service as a President and loyal member of Psi Iota Xi. I'm also a member and have heard of all your mothers accomplishments of service.
My Thoughts of You
Rhonda Ryan###imported-begin##Rhonda Ryan###imported-end##*

September 14, 2011 at 12:35 PM



“ *Dear Jim and Linda:
Please accept my sincere condolences to you and your family. May the memories of your mother and love console you at this time.
Love, Nancy###imported-begin##Nancy Reusser
Halstead###imported-end##*

September 14, 2011 at 01:30 AM



“ *I am very sorry to read your mom Jim and Linda. I remember going with my mama and dad to the store to buy new appliances. And then when got older, dad would tell me to go up and find something for mama's present. as the saying goes, those were the good old days. You are in my thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin##Debbie Heckman###imported-end##*

September 13, 2011 at 10:20 PM



“ Hi Jan,

I am so very sorry to hear about your mother. I always visited with her whenever I was at Christian Care visiting Gary's parents. She would greet me with a big smile, a warm hug and always called me by name. We would reminisce about our growing-up years (like her and your dad showing us how they did the jitter bug). You have my deepest sympathy. I will greatly miss her.

Sharon Bauer Crandall##imported-begin##Sharon Crandall##imported-end##

September 13, 2011 at 03:15 PM



“ Jan, I have so many wonderful memories of your family, particularly the toy store (many years ago!). It was a magical place for a small girl who loved dolls as I did! May you find comfort in many wonderful memories & in the peace of knowing that she is at rest.##imported-begin##Susan Schafer (Rupel)##imported-end##

September 13, 2011 at 03:06 PM