



Ruth E Stroud

March 15, 1934 - March 16, 2016

Ruth E. Stroud 82 of Liberty Center passed away at 12:10 a.m. on Wednesday morning (March 16, 2016) at Bluffton Regional Medical Center. Ruth was born on March 15, 1934 in Decatur to Paul E. & Bernice (Thornton) Johnson. She attended school in Fort Wayne, Pleasant Mills and graduated from Bluffton High School in 1952. Ruth retired in 1980 as the manager of the cafeteria of Southern Wells Community Schools after 20 years of service. She was a dedicated member of the Liberty Center United Methodist Church and served on many committees. Ruth was a long time Amateur Radio Operator (W9BRN) and traveled with several Motor Home Clubs.

On December 26, 1952 in Bluffton, Ruth and Richard Stroud were married and have enjoyed the last 63 years together.

Ruth is survived by her husband Richard of Liberty Center and four children: Gary L. (Peggy L.) Stroud of Manassas, Virginia, Karen J. (Gary) Parsons of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Keith A. (Tammy) Stroud of Bluffton, Indiana and Greg C. (Susan) Stroud of Huntington, Indiana along with 12 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren and siblings: Paul W. (Lois) Johnson of Port Orange, Florida, Norma (Frank) Moser of Bluffton, Indiana, Jerry (Sandy) Johnson of Sherrills Ford, North Carolina and Carolyn (Dave) Schaefer of Liberty Center, Indiana.

She is preceded in death by her parents and a sister Sharon Ries.

A service to celebrate Ruth's life will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday (March 21, 2016) at Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Pastor Chad Yoder

will officiate. Calling hours will be held from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral home and for one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at Mossburg Cemetery in Liberty Center. Memorials may be made to Riley Children's Hospital.

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

Cemetery Details

Mossburg Cemetery

1300S 550W
Liberty Center, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

MAR 21. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Service

MAR 21. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth E Stroud*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - March 20, 2016 at 12:04 PM



“ *Ruth E Stroud*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Also, I was just telling someone yesterday, that Dick arranged to take my son for a ride in (his?) airplane for my son, Terry's, 18th birthday, and I flew with them!*

Diana Sell - April 05, 2016 at 09:43 AM



“ *Just found out about Ruth's passing. Was sorry to hear that. I had attended church with her and Dick over the years in Liberty Center and enjoyed talking to her. Also, I remember the kids as they attended Southern Wells School. I am sure she will be greatly missed.*

Diana Sell - April 05, 2016 at 09:41 AM

DG

“ I was so sorry to hear of Ruth's passing this week. She was an amazing woman, as you all know, but what I remember best about her was her vitality and positive attitude always. She was truly a joy to be around, and seemed so much younger than her actual years. I know she will be missed, but I also know that tomorrow will truly be a celebration of her life and I am sure there will be many there to share how she had been such a positive role in their lives. I am sorry for your loss, but I am convinced that when our loved ones pass, they have a spirit that remains with us which comforts us and helps us to move forward.

We, as the Johnson cousins, Janice, Denny, Tim, Dave, Steve, and myself, would like to honor her with a donation to her choice memorial, The Riley Children's Hospital.

Debra Gabbard - March 20, 2016 at 03:57 PM

TS

Thank you so much for honoring my mother in law, Ruth Stroud, with your generous gift to Riley Children 's Hospital. May God Bless you all.

Tammy Stroud - March 21, 2016 at 08:45 PM



“ Sorry to hear of your loss, unable to make the viewing. Family's in my thoughts and prayers.

David Shepherd - March 20, 2016 at 11:24 AM

TS

Thank you. Appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Tammy Stroud - March 21, 2016 at 08:52 PM

BG

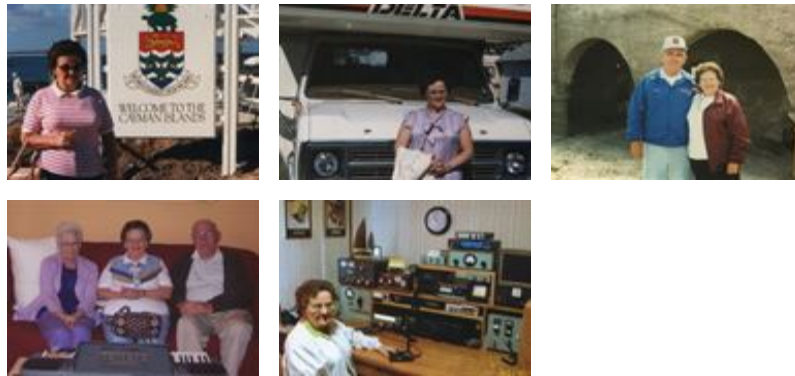
“ *Dick and Family, We are so sorry to learn of Ruth's passing. She was such a sweet, kind woman, always wearing that smile! You surely had many years of happiness with her. Liberty Center won't be quite the same without her. Our thoughts and Prayers are with you. Marion and BJ Gray*



BJ Gray - March 19, 2016 at 02:03 PM



“ *46 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - March 18, 2016 at 05:21 PM

NJ

“ *Sending our deepest sympathy to the entire Stroud family. Neva Johnson and daughters, Cynthia , Shelly & Jana*

Neva Johnson - March 18, 2016 at 02:43 PM

EM

“ Elizabeth Glass Miller lit a candle in memory of Ruth E Stroud



Elizabeth Glass Miller - March 18, 2016 at 01:47 PM

PP

“ Penny Plass lit a candle in memory of Ruth E Stroud



Penny Plass - March 18, 2016 at 10:33 AM

BS

“ Becky Meksa and Ruth Mary Stephan purchased the Fields of Europe for Spring for the family of Ruth E Stroud.



Becky Meksa and Ruth Mary Stephan - March 18, 2016 at 10:00 AM

JO

“ She was a good woman she looks bed like two blocks down from my house



jordan - March 17, 2016 at 07:15 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Ruth E Stroud.*



March 17, 2016 at 05:18 PM



“ *Sending our prayers and love for one of the kindest, most gentle woman I've ever known. She is with the Lord now and is free of pain. To Dick who is the best cousin a girl could have, I am so very sorry. I'll call you later but wanted my love and sympathy to head your way now. Cheryl and John*

Cheryl Spradlin - March 16, 2016 at 06:52 PM



she is in a good place now

jordan - March 17, 2016 at 07:16 PM



My deepest sympathies to the Stroud family

Bernice Parsons - March 18, 2016 at 12:09 PM



We are very sorry to hear of Ruth's passing. She always had a very pleasant smile when we would meet. She will be greatly missed. Friends, John & Connie Beckler

John & Connie Beckler - March 21, 2016 at 07:01 PM