



Viola Staples

May 7, 1930 - November 9, 2012

Viola Staples, 82, a longtime resident of Poneto, passed away at 7 a.m. Friday, Nov. 9, 2012, at Meadowvale Health and Rehabilitation Center in Bluffton. She was born May 7, 1930, in Fort Wayne, to Leslie and Gladys (Porter) Andrews. She married Charles “Chuck” Staples in Fort Wayne in September 1963; he preceded her in death in March, 1998. Viola worked at the State Hospital and Training Center in Fort Wayne for more than 35 years, retiring in 1998 after working as a supervisor. She lived at Meadowvale Health and Rehabilitation Center in Bluffton for the last four years. She was a member of the Bluffton Church of God. Surviving relatives include eight daughters, Gloria (Larry) Keller of Texas, Debbie (Bill) Lowe of Marion, Elaine (Charlie) Sills of Poneto, Kristi (David) Davis of Georgia, Roxanne (Larry) Doublin of Geneva, Rochelle (Gary) Jamison of Bluffton, Joey (Doug) Pierce of Montpelier and Carla Staples of Poneto; four sons, Leslie “Chopper” (Debbie) Mazelin of Bluffton, Dana (Robin) Staples of Ohio, Gary Hays of Florida and Mark Hays; 29 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Mrs. Staples was also preceded in death by a son, Dennie Mazelin; a grandson, Scottie Doublin and a great-grandson Rickie LaFlolette. Calling hours will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13, at the Thoma/Rich, Chaney and Lemler Funeral Home, 308 W. Washington St., Bluffton. Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday, at the funeral home with Pastor Don Marlowe of the Bluffton Church of God officiating. Burial is at Fairview Cemetery, in Bluffton.

Preferred memorials are to Family Life Care of Berne. The family would like to thank Meadowvale Health and Rehabilitation Center for the loving care provided to their mother. Online condolences: www.thomarich.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Viola Staples*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - November 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *For one who goes to meet the Lord . Could but we all be Heaven's guests , Dear blessed sleep that merely marks the ending of a holy quest , Your gentle touch remains upon The hearts of those who loved you best . For those we love who gone before us , marked with the sign of faith have not been seperated from us . They are really much closer to us because they now live in the fullness of God's love . A love that embraces each one of us , wether here on earth or in the heavenly kingdom . At the time of mourning , we often feel that we are distant from those we love . Death does not seperate us from those we love . It deepens our union with God and with each other . So sorry for your loss of your mother . Will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers . Diane Reynolds & family .*

Diane Reynolds - November 13, 2012 at 01:10 PM

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“ *i am so sorry for your loss.Viola loved to participate in singing and praising God,whenever we came to Meadowvale to sing.She will be missed!!! Hope ou are all doing fine.Your friend,Bill Wafford*

bill wafford - November 12, 2012 at 02:04 PM

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“ *Dawn Heckert sent a virtual gift in memory of Viola Staples*



Dawn Heckert - November 09, 2012 at 06:04 PM