



Winnie I. Markley

July 22, 1931 - August 3, 2020

Winnie I. Markley, 89 of Bluffton, passed away on Monday, August 03, 2020, at Bluffton Regional Medical Center.

She was born on July 22, 1931 in Wells County, Indiana to Simon Baller & Mildred (Estes) Baller-Williams.

Winnie graduated from Bluffton High School. A homemaker, she worked at the Dutch Mill in Bluffton for some time. For many years, Winnie answered letters that children placed in "Santa's Mailbox" at her home and mailed each child a personalized response from Santa.

On September 7, 1952 in Mt. Zion, Winnie and V. Wayne Markley were married. They shared 63 years of marriage before he preceded her in death on June 20, 2016.

Survivors include two sons, Kevin Markley and Tracy Markley, both of Bluffton along with four grandchildren: Shane Graham, Derek Graham, Seth Markley and Travis Markley and 14 great-grandchildren and a brother Steve (Sue) Baller of Bluffton.

Winnie is preceded in death by her daughter, Debra Graham, a son, Mike Markley, a grandson Shannon Graham and a great-granddaughter Kaeli Graham along with two sisters, Bonnie Pursley & Mona Jean Dunn, a brother, Gale "Smokey" L. Baller and her twin brother, Jimmie T. Baller.

A service to celebrate Winnies' life will be held at 3 P.M. on Friday (August 7, 2020) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Pastor Dennis Wood officiating. Burial will follow at Six Mile Cemetery in Bluffton. Calling

hours will be held from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. on Friday, prior to the service.

Memorials may be made to the family.

The safety of the family and all visitors is our utmost priority. For everyone's safety, we ask that you practice social distancing. Masks are required for visitation and for Winnie's service at the funeral home. We appreciate your cooperation and patience.

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

Cemetery Details

Six Mile Cemetery

4795 SE State Road 116
Bluffton, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 7. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

AUG 7. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Winnie I. Markley*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - August 07, 2020 at 03:10 PM

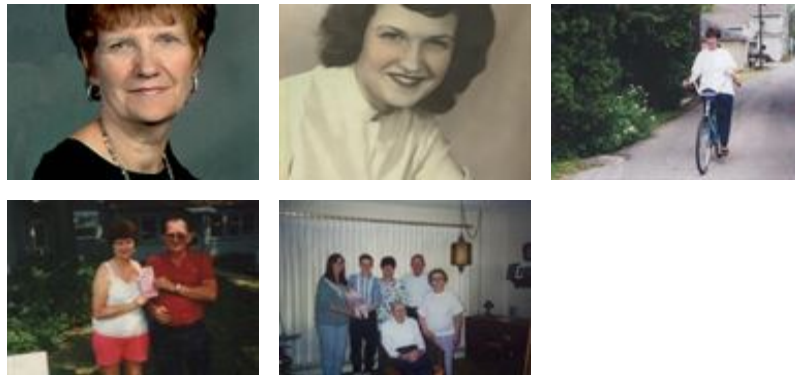


“ *Winnie I. Markley*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - August 06, 2020 at 12:11 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - *"Our Family Chain Is Broken"* was purchased for the family of Winnie I. Markley.



August 05, 2020 at 11:35 AM



“ Stacey West lit a candle in memory of Winnie I. Markley



Stacey West - August 05, 2020 at 10:43 AM



“ Kimberly Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Winnie I. Markley



Kimberly Reynolds - August 05, 2020 at 06:26 AM



“ Rose lit a candle in memory of Winnie I. Markley



Rose - August 04, 2020 at 09:51 PM

KA

“ Sure am going to miss are evening phone calls,we supported each other.you were a dear sister-in-law,the best pie maker.



Karen - August 04, 2020 at 07:15 PM

JF

“ Jeannie And Ken Flowers lit a candle in memory of Winnie I. Markley



Jeannie and Ken Flowers - August 04, 2020 at 06:26 PM

LJ

“ Lisa Satterfield Jack lit a candle in memory of Winnie I. Markley



Lisa Satterfield Jack - August 04, 2020 at 11:51 AM

SM

“ Winnie, my dear sister in law, we were so saddened to hear of your passing. Now you are reunited with Wayne, Debbie and Mike and our family circle down here is missing a link. You fought the good fight for many years and I know it wasn't easy but you did it with grace and style and with very little if any complaining. Until we meet again.



Suzanne Markley - August 04, 2020 at 08:07 AM