



Pearl Lois Ready

November 9, 1923 - June 29, 2017

Pearl Lois (Smith) Ready, 93, of Bloomington passed away Thursday, June 29, 2017 at IU Health Bloomington Hospice House. She was born on November 9, 1923 in Bridgeport, Illinois, the daughter of Leslie and Beatrice (Grady) Smith.

Pearl graduated from Bridgeport High School. Pearl was a stay at home mom, but throughout her marriage she occasionally joined the work force. She worked as a secretary, twice as a factory worker, in a laundry and as a file clerk in the Radiology Department of St. Luke's Hospital in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. These various jobs were short term and she was always glad to go back to staying home with her children. She also enjoyed babysitting with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was "Nana" to them.

Pearl worked for Ivory Coast Christian Mission as a forwarding agent for 36 years. This volunteer position took a lot of patience, detailed financial records, communication, and dedication. She was a vital part of helping daughter and son-in-law Bob and Connie Sheffler remain on the mission field for over 3 decades. She always said that this was one way she could help with mission work. Only God can sufficiently reward her for her great service.

Pearl was a member of Sherwood Oaks Christian Church. She was an active member of the Living Stones Sunday School class. Pearl loved to read

through the Bible every year and was doing it again this year, and she read all types of books, but really enjoyed mysteries. She was an IU Basketball fan. She and her late husband, John, liked to travel. They made trips to Africa, Europe, Hawaii, Canada, as well as to many places in the US.

Pearl is survived by her children, Connie Ready Sheffler (Bob), Linda (Ready) Knott (Steve), and David Ira Ready, all of Bloomington; grandchildren, Chris Sheffler Sherwood (Les) of Ellettsville and Greg Knott (Heather) of Bloomington, two great-grandchildren, three great-step grandchildren, and three great-great-step grandchildren; and siblings, Carolyn Legg of Lawrenceville, Illinois and Darrell Smith of Springville, Indiana.

Pearl's husband, John, of 73 ½ years preceded her in death on April 16, 2017. She was also preceded her in death by two sisters, Marie Wolfe and Marge Perry and three brothers, Eugene Smith, Ralph Smith, and Robert (Bud) Smith.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, July 3, 2017 at Sherwood Oaks Christian Church. Entombment will follow at Valhalla Memory Gardens. Family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to Ivory Coast Christian Church Mission for special projects or to Sherwood Oaks Christian Church Mission Projects. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, have been entrusted with arrangements. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to Pearl's family at www.allencares.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Sherwood Oaks Christian Church
2700 E. Rogers
Bloomington, IN 47401

Service

JUL 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Connie, Bob and the rest of the family at the time of saying good bye to Pearl. I remember her courteous greetings always accompanied with a friendly smile. She was truly a follower of Christ filled with the fruit of joy in her spirit and life. I can only imagine the JOYOUS welcome she received into Heaven.*

*Enoch Nyador
Ghana Christian Mission
Tema, Ghana. West Africa*

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“ *Sounds as if Pearl Ready had a wonderful life. Jean Rhoads*

Jean Rhoads - July 01, 2017 at 06:47 AM