



Gladys Kemple

January 12, 1918 - August 15, 2019

Gladys Kemple, 101, a life long Rush County resident, passed away August 15, 2019 in Greenfield. Gladys was born January 12, 1918 in Rush County to Harry & Mary "Marie" (Zavours) Steele. Gladys was a 1936 graduate of Arlington High School. She married James Kemple on April 13, 1940 and he preceded her in death on July 22, 2012.

Gladys had been a member of the Arlington Christian Church since 1929. She was very active in her church teaching Busy Bees, vacation Bible school, "Jet" cadets and We worship classes. She was also active in the church choir and Christmas programs. Gladys was a volunteer at Rush Memorial Hospital many years. She helped many area children with their 4H projects and had won several Champion & Grand Champion ribbons at local & state level entries for quilting and fashion.

She is survived by her sons, Phillip (Marilyn) Kemple of DBS, FL and Warren (Cheryl) Kemple of New Palestine, grandchildren, Kristina (Jerry) Spangler, Eric (Crystal) Kemple, Kimberly (Derek) Perkins and David (Dianna) Kemple, great grandchildren, Joshua & Jacob Spangler, Kelsey Russo, Kathleen & Elisabeth Perkins and great-great grandchildren, Joshua & Jayla Spangler. In addition to her parents and husband, Gladys was preceded in death by a brother, Harold Steele, a sister, Mary Fancher and a great grandson, Adam Michael Perkins.

Services will be held at 11 AM Monday, August 19, 2019 in Moster Mortuary with Fred Hickman and Gary Holt presiding. Friends are welcome to visit the

family at the mortuary from 9:30 AM until time of service on Monday. Burial will be in the Arlington East Hill Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Arlington Christian Church.

The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to Greenbriar, Legacy, Springhurst and Seasons Hospice for the love and care given to Gladys.

Tribute Wall



“ Gladys Kemple

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *Such a sweet sweet lady, always with a smile on her face. When Grandma married Merle, I gained a great extended family. I always enjoyed going to the Kemple reunion, it was always fun experiencing the Kemple humor and laughter. Jimmy and Gladys were always happy to see me which met so much. Cherish your memories. I'm so sorry I didn't know she had passed away until after the visitation had occurred. Thinking of you all and praying for peace. Love, Ann (Dearinger) Megee*

Ann Megee - August 26, 2019 at 03:25 PM



“ *Sorry to hear that your mother passed away. She lived a long and fulfilling life. I always enjoyed hearing her voice in the choir. We can all take comfort in knowing that she is at peace.*
Steve & Carolyn Gordon

Steve & Carolyn Gordon - August 20, 2019 at 08:02 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gladys Kemple.*



August 17, 2019 at 12:39 PM

DH

“ *DUSTY HOWARD lit a candle in memory of Gladys Kemple*



DUSTY HOWARD - August 16, 2019 at 11:05 PM

LR

“ *Gladys was an amazing and wonderful mentor to me. I just always knew she was there for me with guidance, sharing her talents of sewing and cooking with me. I was one of those state fair grand champions she fostered! I remember crying the third time I had to rip the sleeve out of that dress...but we won. When my mom was in the field and I was trying a recipe I didn't understand...Gladys talked me thru it. She was a warm and loving Sunday school and youth group leader. She had such an impact on many youth in Arlington Christian Church. My life and many others were greatly enriched by having the privilege of being under Gladys Kemple's wing. Thank you God for sharing her with so many. I have and always loved you my friend. Please give all our mutual friends a hug from me... especially my Mom and Day.*

Linda Mull Reed - August 16, 2019 at 08:52 PM

TL

“ *Toni (Gary) Linville lit a candle in memory of Gladys Kemple*



Toni (Gary) Linville - August 16, 2019 at 04:45 PM

SW

“ *Steve/Jane Ward lit a candle in memory of Gladys Kemple*



Steve/Jane Ward - August 16, 2019 at 03:55 PM