



Leona Keys

May 9, 1927 - March 3, 2018

Leona Mildred (Owen) Keys, 90, of Mooresville, went home to be with the Lord on, Saturday, March 3, 2018, in her bed and with her husband at her side. She was born on May 9, 1927, to the late, Carness Elmer and Ruth Louisa (Mundy) Owen.

Leona graduated from Sheridan High School in 1946. A hard working determined, social and pleasant woman, she was good with numbers. She earned an associate's degree from Indiana Business College and secured a job at American States Bank in Sheridan. Never known to meet a stranger, Leona made the world a brighter place and truly had the best personality. Finding love later in life, her cousin, Raymond introduced her to John Edward Keys; to whom she happily married on November 26, 1968 in Hinkle Creek Friends Church. After marriage, she moved to help on the Keys family farm in Mooresville. Earning her keep, she quickly excelled in teaching herself to drive the trucks, tractors, combines and other farm machinery. She loved to garden and found great purpose and satisfaction in raising the livestock and caring for all of the animals around the farm.

God always near, she found joy and happiness through loved ones, children and animals. Together, Leona and Edward worked as a team to build up their farm; assisting neighbors and friends with farming.

Possessing a lifelong commitment and devotion, Leona actively served in many positions of the Quaker church. She was a talented pianist and played at church for most of her adult life. A cherished member and friend of the West Union Friends Church in Monrovia, Leona and Edward were also familiar faces at the meetings of Bethel Friends Church. A pure, passionate and religious woman, Mrs. Key's heart was full of love. Without a doubt, her tireless work ethic, witty, funny and warm presence made this world a brighter place. Blessed to serve for almost ninety-one years, Leona Keys will be deeply missed by all of her family and friends.

Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Kenneth Earl Owen; grandparents, James Lincoln and Elvira Adeline (Edwards) Mundy, Henry F. and Margaret L. (Johnson) Owen.

Leona is survived by her loving life-partner and husband of 50 years, John Edward Keys of Mooresville; beloved cousins, Tom Mundy of Indianapolis, Jerry and Gary Brown of Cicero; adored neighbors and family by choice, Steve and Julie Gregory of Mooresville; wonderful caretakers, Mel Hadley, Gemma Hardy, Marnie Owen, Charloom Geldenhuis and Karmal Faull; caring friends and country neighbors, Ronna Lee, Jim and Holly Satterly, the Illg family and a small circle of loyal and loving Friends at church.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 7pm, on Monday, March 5, 2018, at Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. A Celebration on Life Service and Friends Meeting will begin at 11:00am, on Tuesday, March 6, 2018, at West Union Friends Church (across from the funeral home on State Rd. 42), with burial immediately following on the church grounds in West Union Church Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to assist with the perpetual care fund at West Union Cemetery or to the F.F.A (Future Farmers of America) in Monrovia. Online condolences and memories may be shared with the family at www.lightmemorial.com.

Cemetery Details

West Union Cemetery

2038 W. SR 42
Monrovia, IN 46157

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
585 East Main Street
Monrovia, IN 46157
(317) 996-2101
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

Celebration of Life Service

MAR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

West Union Friends Church
39.585635, -86.466392
Mooreville, IN 46158

Tribute Wall

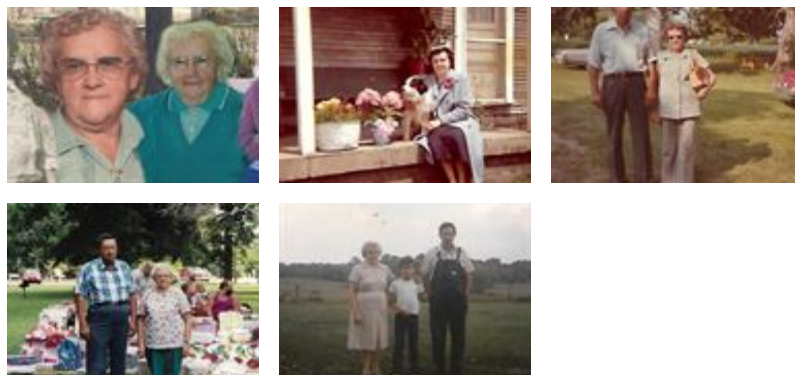


“ I am so sorry to hear of Leona’s passing. She was friends with my Grandma Overpeck who attended BethelFriends Meeting and my Aunt Carrie Martin MacMillian. She was so kind and loving . I loved going and seeing her when I was younger and listening to stories. We got a couple of kittens from the farm and she would call to check how they were. My thoughts and prayers are with Edward and her loving family and friends

Trela Overpeck White - March 07, 2018 at 08:36 PM



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Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - March 05, 2018 at 05:31 PM



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“ *Such a wonderful person! Leona was a sweet and caring individual who loved music. She gave us one of the sweetest kittens I ever owned right off her farm. Leona was a true inspiration; some of the kindest letters I ever received were from her. I knew her from Bethel (a long time ago), always dedicated to the community there-- friendly, quiet, and prepared to volunteer her time and a few select words of wisdom when needed. When only a handful of people came to our wedding, Edward and Leona were right there celebrating with us with kind encouragement and love. I'm lucky to have known her.*

Andrea Mariano - March 05, 2018 at 09:57 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leona Keys.*



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“ *What a sweet, uplifting and beautiful person she was! Knowing Leona was a blessing in my life. My heart goes out to Edward and Leona's family and friends. Prayers and love to all* ❤️

Cheryl Levin - March 04, 2018 at 04:17 PM

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“ *Cheryl Levin lit a candle in memory of Leona Keys*



Cheryl Levin - March 04, 2018 at 04:07 PM