



Edith R. Hapney

February 12, 1933 - October 1, 2020

Edith R. (Edie) Hapney, 87 traded her earthly home for a heavenly mansion on October 1, 2020.

Edie was born February 12, 1933, in Gay, West Virginia, a daughter of the late Holly Lee and Eunice Ethel Cunningham Rhodes. She was a graduate of Ripley High School Class of 1950, boarding with and working for the Canterbury family in Ripley so she could complete her high school education at the time when most students left school following their 8th grade year.

Following graduation she attended the Helen McHenry School of Modeling, working as a model in Charleston, WV. She also worked as a waitress, where she met and married her husband Chester Hapney. Relocating to Columbus, Ohio in the early 1950's, she continued working as a waitress for several years before becoming a jeweler and owner of the family jewelry store, Chet's Jewelers, part of the Columbus landscape for 38 years.

Edie was a member of Grace Polaris Church, where she was active for many years as a conversation partner for international students and families attending The Ohio State University. She was also a member of the Grace Cancer Support Group.

She is survived by special sisters-in-law, Jeanne Rhodes and Doris Rhodes. Also surviving are her nieces and nephew Jane (Casey) Stinespring, Jill (Bill) Meredith, Janet (Willie) Moody, Annette (Larry) Cooper, Portia (Greg) Kyle, Pam (John) Bailey, Larry Rhodes and Christie Rhodes as well as several great nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Edie was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Hapney, her only child, daughter, Portia Lynn Hapney, sisters and brothers, Freda Cooper, Junior Lee Rhodes, Lucille (Lucy) Sheppard and Lawrence Rhodes and nephews Johnny Knopp and Charles Cooper. Memorial Services are scheduled for Saturday, October 10, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. in the Grace Polaris Ministry Center, 8225 Worthington Galena Rd, Westerville, Ohio, with Pastor Tim Waggoner officiating. To ensure everyone's safety, masks are required and social distancing must be practiced. In lieu of flowers, donations preferred to Grace Polaris Church, Cancer Support Group, PO Box 1650, Westerville, OH 43081. Condolences to www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **10**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grace at Polaris Church
8225 Worthington Galena Rd.
Westerville, OH 43081

Tribute Wall



“ *Edith R. Hapney*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *I started working for Edie and Portia in November, 2011 and worked with them until they retired. It was a pleasure because they were godly women. They truly trusted God despite their health issues. They readily offered to pray for any customer who was going through a trial. The Cancer Support Group played an important part in their lives. Edie encouraged those she mentored and was very understanding and kind. Edie was a good businesswoman and stayed current in local events. I am happy God brought us together. I am happy , too for Edie as she had a great family reunion and with her Savior. Praying for her remaining family and friends to be at peace in God's love. Nancy Menefee*

Nancy Menefee - October 08, 2020 at 01:49 PM

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“ So sorry, to hear of Edith’s passing. Met the family many, many years ago, while they had there business on Gay Street in downtown Columbus, Ohio. I worked at the telephone company, while many of us would take a walk on our lunch hour. We would wonder into the jewelry store, to look at the beautiful jewelry, on display. After, getting acquainted, found out we were from the same town in West Virginia, and graduated from the same high school. After retirement still took my jewelry repairs, and still brought jewelry from the business, until they retired from the business. My prayers, go out to her family, friends, and her church family. Her life was a testimony to all who crossed her path, she was such a witness for her Lord, and Savior.
Heaven, gained a rose 🌹 .

*Deepest Sympathy
John, and Dawna Kelly*

Dawna Kelly - October 07, 2020 at 11:52 AM