



## Leona M. Willison

April 12, 1936 - February 28, 2015

Leona M. Willison, age 79 of Columbus died Saturday, February 28, 2015 at Ohio Health Hospice, Kobacker House. Preceded in death by: son, Jamie Willison and grandson, Nicholas Dalton. Leona is survived by husband, John E. Willison, Jr.; sons, Rodney (Dixie) Dalton, John E. Willison, III, and Allen Jay (Kimberly) Willison; daughter, Brenda (William) Applegate; 9 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren. She was a member of Northminster Presbyterian Church prior to its closing. Past Great-Pocahontas, Degree of Pocahontas, Sioux Tribe #128 Improved Order of Red Men. Former BSA Troop 6 and Cub Scout Pack 6 Den Leader and Committee Member for over 25 years. Funeral Service 11 a.m. Friday, March 6, 2015 at RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME, 2383 North High Street, Columbus where friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Thursday. Private Burial: Arlington Field of Honor, Canal Winchester, Ohio. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to: Alzheimer's Association of Central Ohio, 1379 Dublin Road, Columbus, OH 43215.

# Cemetery Details

## Private Burial: Arlington Field of Honor

Canal Winchester, OH

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

MAR 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home-University  
2383 North High Street  
Columbus, OH 43202  
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## Funeral Service

MAR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Leona M. Willison*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *God bless the Willison family she was a beautiful woman and a great teacher to me and several people I know, I used to love to go to day camp just to be around Leona I remember as a child always sticking by her side just because I loved her reactions she would make towards me I would do my best to try to get her attention just so she would simply be irritated by me but every time the harder I tried the more she would try to ignore me like it didn't bother her, she sure was a strong willed woman she always kept me in line and always kept me safe and forever I will remember the faces she would make towards me when nobody else was looking she was such a kind but stern lady and she will for sure be missed and remembered by all those she came in contact with, heaven sure has a great angel up there now...thanks for being in my life and teaching me some of the coolest songs I still remember today...your friend always Cynthia Dilworth...*



**cynthia dilworth** - July 12, 2015 at 05:51 AM



“ *Richard & Michelle Tepper purchased the Arrive i n Style for the family of Leona M. Willison.*



**Richard & Michelle Tepper** - March 05, 2015 at 04:28 PM

MT

“ Even though i was not related to Leona, she treated me like i was already part of her family. Saying that she will be missed by so many people is an understatement. Life will not be the same. i will truly miss you Mrs. Leona.

*friend. Michelle Thompson*

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**Michelle Thompson** - March 05, 2015 at 04:19 PM

CW

“ The first timetable son Zach and I met grandma and papa! It was amazing they was so sweet and caring and feel in love with Zach and enjoyed every time we all got to see each other! Grandma I know we didn't get to spend much time together butwe will miss u very much! Just ok now you are loved and will be missed very much! Papa if you get to read this and if u ever need anything! Just know u can always call and I'll be right there! Love always Carrie and Zachary



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**carrie warner** - March 05, 2015 at 12:43 PM

BE

“ We send our Deepest Sympathy to the Willison Family for the loss of your Mother.

*Those we love don't go away,  
They walk beside us every day,  
Unseen, unheard, but always near,  
Still loved, still missed and very dear.*

*May your heart and soul find peace and comfort.  
Dave and Becky Calvert & Margaret Norris*

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**Becky** - March 04, 2015 at 07:01 PM

BF

“ I will truly miss you Leona. , You have been a friend to me for years . You were, there when I needed to talk ,cry and laugh. I will miss those Leona.

LOVE YOU,  
BARB AYCOCK

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**BARB AYCOCK FREIND** - March 04, 2015 at 03:57 PM

BY

“ I just received word of Mom's passing. I am so sorry that this happened to my 2nd mother. She half raised me when I was growing up and her wisdom, counseling and love helped shape me into the man I am today. While I have not stayed in touch much, I've thought of her and John often and I do appreciate every thing she did for me when I was younger.

*My heartfelt sympathy and condolences go out to John, Rodney, Brenda and the rest of the kids and grandkids. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and if you need to talk or need my help, please call. Rodney has my number.*

*R.I.P. Mom*

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**Bill Young** - March 04, 2015 at 03:36 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Leona M. Willison.



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March 03, 2015 at 09:25 PM

MW

“ *Margie and Gene White purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Leona M. Willison.*



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**Margie and Gene White** - March 03, 2015 at 12:56 PM

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“ *Sioux Tribe 128 Scioto Council 26 purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Leona M. Willison.*



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**Sioux Tribe 128 Scioto Council 26** - March 03, 2015 at 12:56 PM

MH

“ *Leona was a very dear friend to myself and husband Gene. We had been friends for many years .Leona taught me a great deal. We have laughed and cried together, She has held my hand and taken me in her arms in my time of need. She was my pusher in life always stating "I can do it " .A true Pocahontas Sister in life. I have many memories but the one that Always puts a smile on my face is when my husband Gene literally picked her up and cradled her and carried her out to the dance floor. Oh the expression on her face and smiles that followed ..She loved it. She will be dearly missed by everyone.*

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**Margie Hite** - March 03, 2015 at 11:41 AM

MW

*Correction please - that is Margie White --- not Hite Thank You*

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**Margie White** - March 03, 2015 at 11:44 AM

TF

“ *Leona and my mother (Philomena) have been neighbors for years. She has always been there for mom as a neighbor and friend and would always share fruits & vegetables from the market. A sad loss for the neighborhood, she will be missed. Our prayers go out to John and the family.*

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**The Shaw family** - March 03, 2015 at 08:47 AM

MP

“ *Prayers to the family. Leona was a wonderful person who was always ready to help and give advice. She will be missed by many.*



**Melinda and Eddie Poling** - March 02, 2015 at 06:23 PM