



## Mae Muriel Ridgley

August 25, 1921 - May 30, 2016

Mae Muriel (Smith) Ridgley, age 94, of Columbus, passed peacefully surrounded by family on May 30, 2016 after a long life.

She was born on August 25, 1921 to the late William C Smith Sr. and Angie Mae (Richmond) Smith. In addition to her parents , Muriel is preceded in death by her husband Richard Johnson Ridgley Sr.. daughter Muriel Diane Hill, son Richard Johnson (Bonny) Ridgley Jr., and brother William C (Bernie)Smith Jr.

She is survived by children, Larry C Hill , Nancy Lee Ridgley, and Margaret Lynn (Robert) Divine; grandchildren, Jennifer (Steve) Reber, Kiara (Chad) Kavender, Robert (Christy) Divine III., Kassidy (Wes) Driskell, and Richard Andrew (Jordan) Divine; great grandchildren, Stephen, Alicia, and Traven Reber, Kaidan Kavander, Caleigh and Camryn Helber, and Olivia Driskell, and nieces and nephews.

Muriel was a long time resident of Columbus. She worked for many years in the Human Resources Dept of White Castle Inc., retiring in 1984. She was an avid fan of The Ohio State University Buckeyes.

Muriel was a devoted wife, mother and grand mother. Her family and especially her children and grandchildren were her pride and joy. She was affectionately called “Little” Grandma because of her petite stature. Within that petite stature was a strong, loving, hospitable lady of tremendous class and grace. All of these values she instilled in her children and grand children. Her gracious spirit touched all that knew her. Hers was a life well lived.

The family would like to thank her beloved nephew William Smith for all of his love and continued support.

All that knew Muriel remembers how she adored animals, especially her cats. The running joke for fifty years has been that everyone wants to come back as a Ridgley cat. So in honor of her memory, In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Heart of Ohio Pets (H.O.P.E) Foundation of Ohio, Heart of Ohio PEs

PO Box 242

Centerburg, Ohio 43011

The Cat Welfare Association

741 Wetmore Road

Columbus, Ohio 43214 or The Cat Welfare Association.

Arrangements by RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High Street, Worthington, Ohio 43085.

# Cemetery Details

## Union Cemetery

3349 Olentangy River Road  
Columbus, OH 43202  
(614) 267-5471

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 3. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Mae Muriel Ridgley

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ We have lost a sweet lady from a generation who cherished relationships. Lynn and Nancy, your loss is great because your mom was special. With deepest condolences, John Lambert

John Lambert - June 14, 2016 at 08:39 PM



“ Lynn and family: I remember how gracious and fun your mom was when we (I) would spend the night so many years ago!! My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.  
Valerie Smith Thacker

Valerie Thacker - June 03, 2016 at 08:39 AM



“ Dear Family,  
We got to know Muriel a few years ago, and we so greatly admired her quick wit and sharpness. We are so sorry for your loss.  
With our thoughts and prayers,  
Bud and Sandy Runyon

Sandra Runyon - June 02, 2016 at 02:17 PM