



Waltraut J. Knoechel

November 6, 1935 - September 2, 2022

Waltraut J. Knoechel (Sauerland), age 86, of Powell, Ohio, passed away on Friday, September 2, 2022, with her children at her bedside. Waltraut was born on November 6, 1935 in Harburg-Wilhelmsburg, Germany to the late Ewald and Elli (Suplie) Sauerland. In 1954, she immigrated to the United States and settled in Columbus, Ohio. She met the love of her life, Hans, at the Germania; they married in 1957; and were together for 62 years until his passing in 2019. She remained a long-time resident since 1958 of Powell, Ohio, and raised three children. She worked as a secretary/bookkeeper at Huttig Sash & Door Company from where she retired after 30 years. Her proud moment was becoming a US citizen in 1994. Waltraut is survived by children, Anita Knoechel, Connie Knoechel, and Tom (Kathleen) Knoechel; grandchildren Katie Knoechel and Michael Knoechel; sister-in-law Ingeborg May; nephew Stephen (Andrew Bauer) May and niece Stephanie Sherman (Delrae McNeill). Private family gravesite inurnment will be at Oller Cemetery, arrangements by Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell. Friends and family are invited to join A Celebration of Life for Waltraut on Sunday, September 11th from 4:30 – 7:30 pm at Powell Village Winery, 50 S. Liberty Street, Powell, Ohio 43065. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made, if desired, to a Central Ohio humane society or animal shelter.

Cemetery Details

Oller Cemetery

5459 Riverside Drive
Delaware, OH 43015

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP 11. 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Powell Village Winery
50 South Liberty Street
Powell, OH 43065

Tribute Wall



“ *Waltraut J. Knoechel*

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