



Opal Edna Nichols

February 27, 1933 - May 2, 2014

Opal Edna Nichols, previously known as Opal Miller, age 81 of Hobart, formerly of Lowell, passed away on May 2, 2014. She was born and raised in Colorado. Upon graduation from Las Animas High School in Colorado, she traveled to the East Coast where she graduated from Washington County Hospital Nursing School. She married Herbert Jack Miller of Hagerstown, MD and they had four children. Opal followed her husband, while continuing to work as a nurse, on each of his promotions and job transfers around the U. S. and the world. They raised their children together until Jack's untimely death in 1979. She continued to raise and educate their four children while working as a nurse at the East Chicago Rehabilitation Center and then Visiting Nurses of Northwest Indiana, from which she retired in 1993. Opal remarried Thomas H. Nichols in 1993. She and Tom enjoyed traveling the world and visiting their grandchildren until his passing in 1998.

She is survived by her devoted children – Pamela (Mike) Maloney of Shallotte, NC, Michael (Kathy) Miller of Chesterton, Christina Miller (Ken) Van Der Wey of Crown Point and Virginia (Sean) Costello of Villa Park, IL. Opal will be missed by her grandchildren – Steven (Nikki) Maloney, Sarah (Turner) Maloney-Schaeffer, Stephanie (Jeremy) Montgomery, Hayley Miller, Hannah Miller, Jackie Van Der Wey, Andrew Van Der Wey, Ian Costello, Maeve Costello and great grandchildren – Abigail and Isabelle Maloney.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 10 a.m. at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 7667 E. 109th Ave., Crown Point, Rev. Thomas

Mischler officiating. Interment of cremated remains in Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville. Friends are invited to meet with Opal's family on Tuesday from 5-7 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. A prayer service will be offered at 5 p.m. and a time of sharing at 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers the family requests contributions be made to the Visiting Nurses Association. www.burnsfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.
Merrillville, IN 46410

Previous Events

Prayer Service

MAY 6. 5:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point
10101 Broadway
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 769-0044
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Visitation

MAY 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Time of Sharing

MAY 6. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

MAY 7 (CT)

Calumet Park
Merrillville, IN

Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Opal Edna Nichols.



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“ Chris and Ken, Jackie and Andrew, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. May you find peace in the joyful memories you have of Mom, and know that she will always be with you. Sending prayers from the Kvachkoff family.

Patty Kvachkoff - May 05, 2014 at 10:45 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Opal Edna Nichols.



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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Opal Edna Nichols.



May 04, 2014 at 08:24 PM