



Opal Irene (Roberts) Poe

October 19, 1921 - January 7, 2016

Opal Irene (Roberts) Poe, age 94, of Huntington, died at 10:27 a.m. Thursday (January 7, 2016) at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

A graveside memorial service and headstone dedication will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 21, 2016 at St. Peter's First Cemetery in Huntington.

The family requests no flowers. Memorial contributions may be made to Parkview Huntington Hospital Guild, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana, 46750.

Opal was born on October 19, 1921 in Huntington, the daughter of Clyde Eber and Grace Mildred (Beal) Roberts. She graduated from Clear Creek High School in Huntington County. She retired from Indiana Bell and has enjoyed being a member of, and retaining friendships with other members of the Telephone Pioneers of America. She was a member of St. Peter's First Community Church in Huntington. Opal truly loved being a volunteer for many years. She was instrumental in creating the Hospital Guild, which through various events and fundraisers, collects large sums of money to benefit the hospital. She logged over 9,000 volunteer hours at the hospital and was honored for her dedication. Opal had many friends that she enjoyed visiting and sharing meals with not only in Indiana but also in other states including

Arizona and Illinois. The ladies of her monthly card club were very dear to her. She was a 40-year member of Rainbow Lanes bowling league, her highest score 279. Her kindness, grace, and cooking expertise will be missed by many. She was dearly loved.

Survivors include a sister - Jane (Tom) Carroll of Foley, Alabama, 16 nieces and nephews, and many great nieces and nephews. Her parents and brothers Kenneth, Everett, and William Roberts precede her in death.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 16 (ET)

St. Peter's First Cemetery
1316-1498 US-24
Huntington, IN 46750

Burial

MAY 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

EW

“ *A friend for many years. She will be missed. Jim and Elaine Whitacre*

Elaine Whitacre - January 17, 2016 at 07:02 PM

EP

“ *" I always remember back to 1965 when Gene and Opal had one of the first color tv's. We would go to their house on Sunday evenings and watch the Wonderful World of Disney since it was broadcast in living color. So glad I stopped in to see Opal recently. May she rest in peace."*

Edward Poe, nephew

Edward Poe - January 17, 2016 at 12:41 PM

JR

“ *Enjoyed knowing Opal 30 plus years. I would go down to the hospital gift shop to visit with her during my breaks, and will miss meeting her at Richards for lunch. She was a special lady. Jinny Beekman,R.N.*

Jinny Beekman R.N. - January 12, 2016 at 08:42 PM

KW

“ *Opal was married to my first cousin Gene. After their divorce we still considered her a part of The Whitacre family. Enjoyed running into her in later years, we enjoyed catching up and conversation. Prayers to the family for their loss.*



Kathie L. Wilson

Kathie L. Wilson - January 12, 2016 at 01:31 PM

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“ *Our thoughts & prayers go out to Opals family...She will be greatly missed by all of the staff at 20 West Salon. We loved hearing all about her busy weekly adventures & her good eats at her hair appointments.*



20 West Salon & Spa - January 12, 2016 at 08:27 AM

KA

“ *Opal was my former sister in law. She had a heart of gold and was a great cook. When I was married to Gregg,he loved her graham cracker pie,but I could never make it taste as good as her's. Rest in peace,Opal 🙏❤️*

kathy - January 11, 2016 at 11:14 PM

RF

“ MIKE AND I MET OPAL THROUGH THE TELEPHONE PIONEERS, MANY YEARS AGO. WHAT WONDERFUL TIMES WE HAVE HAD TOGETHER. WE WERE LIKE FAMILY TO EACH OTHER, AND WE SHALL MISS HER PHONE CALLS, AND GREAT TRIPS BACK AND FORTH TO ILLINOIS AND OR ARIZONA. SHE ALWAYS HAD TIME FOR US TO VISIT

SHE LOVED TO PLAY GAMES, AND EACH TIME, THAT WAS ONE THING WE DID.

REST IN PEACE OUR DEAR FRIEND, UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN.

MIKE & ROSALIE FIEDLER

Rosalie Fiedler - January 11, 2016 at 05:07 PM

NH

“ Sincerest Sympathies to Opal's family.



Natalie Hall - January 11, 2016 at 11:22 AM

PA

“ I met Opal at the AT&T Pioneer - Retiree's summer get together. Opal was the sweetest, most caring person I've have ever met. We continued seeing one another each summer and Christmas party get together. She always gave me a big hug and we would catch up on what we had been doing all summer and winter. She was such a joy to be around.

Sympathy goes out to her family and her nephews who took care of her.

She will truly be missed by all that knew her. She touched so many people.. Opal will forever be in my thoughts and heart. Until we meet again dear friend.

Pamela Ashley - January 10, 2016 at 02:23 PM



“ Mrs. Poe lived behind me as I grew up. She had a huge lot beside her house that we loved to play kickball in or baseball. Her yard was also the shortcut to my friends house!! She also had a big weeping willow tree beside her garage and that was one of our favorite spots!! We played "house" under it and it was perfect. My childhood memories and vast and fabulous and I'm thankful Mrs. Poe always let us be children in her yard. RIP Mrs. Poe. Say "hi to my parents!!"
Deanna (Hoch) Albertson

Deanna Albertson - January 09, 2016 at 08:54 PM



“ Aunt Opal was great for my Mom, Marjorie Marshall, they would talk on the phone for hours each Sunday. Rest in Peace Opal.

Jim Marshall - January 09, 2016 at 03:50 PM

MG

“ my mother marjorie marshall, was Opal's friend and co-worker at the telephone company 70 years ago, it is a friendship that has lasted through the years and across the miles. mother will miss the sunday calls and the weather reports and the new reports Opal always kept mother up to date on everything that was important to them both. we will all miss her . good bye Opal see you one the other side.

MARSHA GUTSHALL - January 09, 2016 at 02:47 PM

JT

“ Joan L Tardy lit a candle in memory of Opal Irene (Roberts) Poe



Joan L Tardy - January 09, 2016 at 01:49 PM

LH

“ Linda Hughes lit a candle in memory of Opal Irene (Roberts) Poe



Linda Hughes - January 09, 2016 at 08:59 AM

SH

“ Aunt Opal was the best, she took me on my first airplane ride to Washington State, one of her favorite places. She will not be forgotten!

Sherri - January 08, 2016 at 08:27 AM

JK

“ *My sympathies on the death of Opal.*

In God's loving family,

Joanna (Bingham) Kline

retired secretary of St. Peter's First Community Church

Joanna Kline - January 08, 2016 at 06:54 AM