



Esther "Grammy" Keenen

March 2, 1915 - September 28, 2013

Esther E. "Grammy" Keenen, age 98, of Middletown, DE, went home to be with the Lord and loved ones awaiting her in heaven on Saturday, September 28, 2013. Grammy lived her life to the fullest. She was a Sunday School teacher and held Bible school for children in her home for many years. Grammy and her late husband, Clarence, ran the Planters Peanut Store in Wilmington for many years. She worked at Christiana Care before her retirement. Grammy was an independent woman who enjoyed cooking, baking, and tending to her beautiful flower garden. She enjoyed vacationing in Ocean City, NJ. Most of all Grammy adored her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Grammy is survived by her daughter, Pat Willis; brother, Charles Smith (Mary); sister-in-law Mary Ellen Smith; 2 grandchildren, John C. Willis, Jr. (Kathy) and Christina Cochran (Thomas); 5 great grandchildren: Liz, Tyler, Danielle, Ashley, and Reagan; a host of nieces and nephews; and her Iron Hill Church family. She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles & Minnie Smith; husband, Clarence Keenen; brother, Christian Smith; and sister-in-law, Anna Mary Smith.

A visitation for family and friends will be held Wednesday, October 2, 2013 from 9:30-11:00 AM in the Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Rd., Newark, DE 19702 followed by a service in celebration of Grammy's life at 11:00 AM. Burial will follow in Gracelawn Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent in Grammy's memory to Iron Hill

Church Building Fund, 22 Parkway Circle, Suite 8, New Castle, DE 19720. For directions or to send an online condolence visit www.Strano-feeley.com

Cemetery Details

Gracelawn Memorial Park

2220 N. DuPont Highway
New Castle, DE

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 2. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home
635 Churchmans Rd
Newark, DE 19702
(302) 731-5459
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Service

OCT 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

ST

“ *Sherri (Schaeffer) Thomason lit a candle in memory of Esther "Grammy" Keenen*



Sherri (Schaeffer) Thomason - October 02, 2013 at 05:55 AM

GH

“ *Dear Pat, John & Cathy and family, Christie and family, We just heard of Mrs. Keenan's passing and wanted to send our condolences. She was a very special lady, faithful and true to her Lord and her family. She was a wonderful example of a Christian woman and special friend to our mother. Maybe they have even had a chance to get caught up with each other up there in Heaven. Our prayers are with all of you. Sincerely and in Him, Les and Gwen Henry and family*

Gwen Henry - October 01, 2013 at 07:48 PM

JW

Thank you! I've never been more sure that someone is enjoying all of heaven, including the friends and loved ones that have gone already!

john willis - October 13, 2013 at 05:10 PM

MB

“ *Marga Blittle purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Esther "Grammy" Keenen.*



Marga Blittle - September 30, 2013 at 04:13 PM

MK

“ Marga, Lonnie & Kim lit a candle in memory of Esther "Grammy" Keenen



Marga, Lonnie & Kim - September 30, 2013 at 01:43 PM

MG

“ Mary Greve lit a candle in memory of Esther "Grammy" Keenen



mary greve - September 30, 2013 at 06:19 AM



“ Kevin Bentley lit a candle in memory of Esther "Grammy" Keenen



Kevin Bentley - September 30, 2013 at 12:23 AM



“ Sheri Dolbow lit a candle in memory of Esther "Grammy" Keenen



Sheri Dolbow - September 29, 2013 at 09:38 PM



She loved lavender.

Sheri Dolbow - September 29, 2013 at 09:38 PM

DR

“ *Grammy was the best 2nd grade Sunday School Teacher I could have ever had! I learned so much from her. I will miss her so much and can't wait to be with her again. Grammy, enjoy Heaven and being with your Lord and your loved ones! :)*

Deena Rizzi - September 29, 2013 at 08:26 PM

HK

“ *She was awesome lady she lived life to fullest and so reminded me of a NY grandmother she will be missed but led a great life with loving family and many friends*

holly kinsman-Willis - September 29, 2013 at 08:23 PM



“ *Rachel Hoopes lit a candle in memory of Esther "Grammy" Keenen*



Rachel Hoopes - September 29, 2013 at 05:58 PM

JJ

She ment a lot to all who knew her we loved her for her testimoney my she rest in peace. Love Jean and Joyce

Jean and Joyce - September 29, 2013 at 07:30 PM

HK

“ *My memory of Grammy is she was always on the go and always wanted to be on her own
..she reminded me of a NY grandmother who just always did her thing. She was awesome!*

holly kinsman-Willis - September 29, 2013 at 04:40 PM