



Fern E. Pugmire

November 14, 1929 - December 25, 2017

Fern E. Pugmire, 88, of St. Anne passed away on Monday, December 25, 2017 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. She was born on November 14, 1929 in Watseka, the daughter of Floyd and Lydia (Wilkening) Richison. Fern married Arthur W. Pugmire on December 2, 1967 in Kankakee. He preceded her in death on December 5, 1994.

To give a brief history of the past seventy years, Fern lived at home with her parents for a few years working at Sumner National Bank and later in Watseka. In 1952, she moved to Kankakee and worked at Romy Hammes Ford Garage. From there she went to work for Shidler Construction until retirement in 1986.

Shortly after graduation, Fern took up the game of golf. It was at the Elks Country Club in 1967, where she met a fine and handsome gentleman and widower, Arthur Pugmire. A few months later they were married and her ready-made family consisted of three daughters and one grandchild. In 1994, her husband Arthur suffered a heart attack and passed away ten days later. Fern continued to live at home, doing a lot of volunteer work for her church and the Salvation Army. Until recently, she continued to enjoy golf, gardening and bridge. She enjoyed traveling across the country to see friends, visiting all states except for two. In Fern's own words "The past seventy years have been very ordinary, but for the most part very pleasant."

Fern is survived by three step daughters, eight step grandchildren, fifteen step great grandchildren, with another on the way, nieces and nephews including

Phyllis Lyons of Broomfield, CO, Richard (Patricia) Korpan of Evergreen, CO and John (Linda) Skinner of Fort Wayne, IN. Along with her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, brother; Glen Richison, sisters; Irma Richison, Pearl Skinner, Lorna MacDonald, and Lois Korpan.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Memorial visitation will be held on Saturday, January 20, 2018 from 9am until the 10am memorial service at Asbury United Methodist Church in Kankakee. Inurnment will be held at Sugar Creek Cemetery in Milford, IL at a later date. Memorials may be made to Asbury United Methodist Church or Kankakee Salvation Army.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JAN 20. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Asbury United Methodist Church
196 S. Harrison
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-4408

Memorial Service

JAN 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fern E. Pugmire*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. May you find comfort and strength in God's promise found at John 6:40*

Ivan - January 05, 2018 at 11:51 AM



“ *Joan Mann lit a candle in memory of Fern E. Pugmire*



Joan Mann - January 03, 2018 at 03:20 PM



Fern was my dad's companion and wife after my mother passed away.

Joan Mann - January 03, 2018 at 03:27 PM



“ *Patricia A Klinge sent a virtual gift in memory of Fern E. Pugmire*



Patricia A Klinge - December 28, 2017 at 12:19 PM

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Fern was a wonderful companion to our Father after our Mother passed. I saw her last at Thanksgiving, but felt it would be the last time I would see her....she was ready to go home to meet her Saviour and what better day...Christmas Day!!!

Patricia A Klinge - December 28, 2017 at 12:27 PM

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“ *Janet Pumire-Oberkrom lit a candle in memory of Fern E. Pugmire*



Janet Pumire-Oberkrom - December 28, 2017 at 12:07 PM