

Obituary

Died: Sunday, September 5, 2021

Jean Maxine Oldham, 90, was born July 3, 1931 to Ashby Albert Kersey and Lula Belle Smith of Indianapolis, Indiana.

For the past 17 years, Jean lived with her daughter, Dr. Janis Oldham, in Greensboro, North Carolina. There, she accompanied Janis to many North Carolina A&T events. They were members of Mount Zion Baptist Church. She professed her love for Christ at an early age in life. She always commented that "God was her father."

Jean attended Indianapolis Public Schools, and graduated from Crispus Attucks in 1949. She continued her education at the Indianapolis City Hospital school of nursing. Upon graduation where she was the "outstanding bedside nurse of the 1952 graduating class," she joined the American Red Cross.

Jean held several nursing positions around Indianapolis, including helping to open two nursing homes and working in the Marion County General Hospital. She received her [B.S.in](#) nursing in 1982. She retired from Wishard Hospital and Marion County Public Health after 18 years of service.

Jean married her childhood friend Donald L. Oldham Sr 1954. Together they raised five children. Jean was active in her children's school lives, serving in multiple capacities within their PTO and Girl Scouts.

Jean was a member of Chi Eta Phi nursing sorority. She enjoyed reading, sewing, cooking and crocheting. She loved doing her puzzles.

Jean passed peacefully September 5, 2021. She is preceded in death by her husband, Donald L. Oldham, Sr; daughters, Dr. Sherril Jones, and Dr. Janis Oldham. She leaves to celebrate her life and cherish her memory, her sons, Donald (April), Michael, and Stephen; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

May the works I've done speak for me.
May the work I've done speak for me.
When I'm resting in my grave,
there is nothing to be said;
May the works that I've done,
Speak for me.



Service Summary

Visitation

10:30 AM to 12:00 PM, Sat Sep 11, 2021

SOLID WORD BIBLE CHURCH
4734 WEST 52ND STREET
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46254

Celebration of Life

12:00 PM Sat Sep 11, 2021

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Humbly Submitted.....The Family