



## Mary Ellen Roach

June 29, 1926 - February 24, 2023

During the early morning hours of February 24, 2023, Mary Ellen Roach passed from this physical existence at the age of 96 years. She resided at The Willows Nursing Facility in Oxford, Florida. Born the only child to Charles “Chick” M. Lemon and Hazel (Scott) Lemon on June 1926 at Logansport, Indiana. She grew up in Idaville, Indiana, where Mary began her education in the first grade and graduated from high school. As a lifelong member of the Idaville First Church of God, General Conference, she sang in the choir, played piano and organ, taught Sunday School and Bible School and enjoyed participating in the activities of the ladies’ groups.

Vowing to never marry a farmer nor a man from Monticello, one of Idaville School’s rivals, she did both on November 3, 1945, marrying Donald E. Roach. During World War II while her husband was in the Army, Mary began her working career making wiring harnesses for Bryan’s Manufacturing Company in Monticello, Indiana.

When Don returned from the Army, they began their family having three children: Jane Ellen (deceased), Bruce Scott and Richard Joe. Her grandchildren are Rachael Lea Cosgray and Sarah Ann Roach. And her great grandchildren are Bridget (Millar) Pucket and Jace Millar.

As her children became older, she saw an opportunity to start to fulfill a

childhood dream. Mary secured a position as a Nurse's Aide at the White County Memorial Hospital. Eventually, as she worked in this position, she enrolled in Indiana Vocational Technical College and became a Licensed Practical Nurse. Mary continued enjoying her dream of being a nurse until her retirement and even after working as a nurse during the winter months in Florida and the summer months in Indiana. And the door to her room where Mary passed was the label proudly proclaiming "Nurse".

A memorial service will be held Thursday, April 13, 4:00 PM at Northside Christian Church in Fruitland Park, Florida.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Lady Lake, Florida.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 13. 4:00 PM.

Northside Christian Church