



Irma V. Kennedy

June 3, 1920 - November 20, 2014

Irma V. Kennedy, 94, of Deshler, Ohio died Thursday evening, November 20, 2014 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio, Perrysburg, Ohio.

She was born June 3, 1920 in Bessemer, Pennsylvania to the late Frank and Lillian (Hintsa) Pelto. On October 25, 1942 she married Ernest Kennedy and he preceded her in death on December 2, 2004.

Irma graduated from Bessemer High School. She and her husband, Ernie, moved to Deshler and became the owners of the Deshler Hardware and Deshler Lumber Company. Upon selling these businesses, they began operating a bookkeeping business together until their retirement. She was a faithful member of the former Deshler First Presbyterian Church where she was the devoted church organist. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

She is survived by two sons, Michael (Stella) Kennedy, Westlake, Ohio; Patrick (Suzanne) Kennedy, Watkinsville, Georgia; son-in-law, Garland Tussing, Deshler; 7 grandchildren, Stefanie (Brandon) Johnson; LeAnne (Kyle) Markins; Jacqueline Tussing; Alex Kennedy; Taylor Kennedy; Sydney Kennedy; Kayla Kennedy; 6 great grandchildren, Landon Johnson; Whitney Johnson; Maddox Johnson; Peyton Johnson; Alexandra Markins; Savannah Markins.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Nancy Tussing; sister, Helen Pajanan and two brothers, Bill and George Pelto.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday at

Parkside Christian Fellowship, Deshler with Pastor Richard Betts officiating.

Friends are invited to visit on hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to Christian Childrens Fund.

Online condolences can be made at www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ To all the Kennedy family, especially Mike and Pat, There are no words to tell you how much I cared about your mother. I felt fortunate that in the recent past I was able to spend a long afternoon reminiscing with her about those old early years I spent in Deshler and especially babysitting for the Kennedy kids. My fondest of memories is your mother's playing the organ and especially when your father would sing as well. I am so glad I made that visit to see her as that day will live in my memory forever as she was the same Irma I always thought so much of and hearing her tell me of her children and grandchildren was so very meaningful. She had a very long life and now has gone on to that greater, higher place to be with our Lord and Savior. Once again she is reunited with her loving husband Ernie and loving daughter Nancy. For those of us who were privileged to know her, she will live on in our very fond memories. I keep all the family in my thoughts and prayers. God bless you all.
Joan Slebos

Joan Slebos - November 25, 2014 at 03:12 PM

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“ My condolences to the Tussing and Kennedy families. I was once told when my Grandma passed, that grandmas should live forever because they are amazing. grandmothers are truly wonderful caring people and I know Grandma Kennedy was great as she has a wonderful family to show for it.

Amber - November 25, 2014 at 08:39 AM

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“ I wish I had known Irma longer than I got the chance to. Everything about her was comforting to me and to Lucas Rosebrook. During some of his darkest times her coming into the room and touching his cheek was all it took to comfort him. When I was at my lowest watching Lucas struggle - I would walk over to here room and she would do her best to lift my spirits She was one of the best things to ever come into my life - I thank God for our time - our laughs and our tears.

Kim Lange - November 23, 2014 at 09:12 PM

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“ To the Kennedy family...Your mother/grandmother was such a wonderful woman. I thoroughly enjoyed her and her wonderful musical talent. When I was Activity Director at Oak Grove she would come play piano for our birthday Parties, and she could play them all.. We played together several times at your church and it was such a honor for me. She will definitely be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with your family!
Most sincerely,
Judee Suber

Judee Suber - November 23, 2014 at 08:41 AM