



Gertrude A Pagels

May 19, 1915 - March 4, 2013

Gertrude Pagels, age 97, passed away peacefully on Monday, March 4, 2013. Gertrude attended college in St. Louis, MO, after which time she spent her career in Toledo as a piano teacher and church organist. In addition to her love of music, Gertrude also enjoyed riding horses and participated in equestrian competition. When she finally decided to give up horses, she turned to her other passion, which was traveling around the world. Gertrude was preceded in death by her parents, William and Marie Pagels and her brother William. She will be greatly missed by her Brother Walter, Sister-in-Law Florence Pagels, Nephew David Pagels and Nieces Lois Sczepaniak, Janet Skerritt, Cindy Sund, Nancy Hernandez and Rhonda Drzewicki. The family will receive guests on Monday, March 11, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Ansberg -West Funeral Home on 3000 Sylvania Avenue, Toledo, OH, 43613 where services will commence at 12:00pm. Interment in Ottawa Hills Memorial Park Memorial contributions may be made to Pathways Community Church.

Tribute Wall

FH

“ I am so sorry to hear of Gertrude's passing. She certainly brought much to the church with her years of music. She had many children learn to love music through her piano teaching. I will not b able to atend the services due to my own physical health issues but you will all be in my thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Frona Hunt

Frona Hunt - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I was very sad to hear about the passing of Gertrude Pagels who was my aunt for 32 years. What is glaringly missing from her obituary is that she was an unbelievable Christian who lived her faith every day of her astonishing life. I cannot begin to detail all of the endless selfless acts she performed in her lifetime but I can truly say that she touched many lives, one of which was me. I watched as she was there for her mother Marie until her death - never leaving her side. She was a true and loving daughter until Marie's death. She was also a good sister and continued to be so to Florence Pagels even after her brother William died. I am sure Florence will miss her deeply. I am also positive that her brothers would both agree what a fantastic sister she was to them as well. She was never a mother but you would never know it by the way in which she treated my two sons Eric and Ryan. I can truthfully say Aunt Gertrude was there for them at every special moment and even helped them with college expenses which is one reason they could become the successful Engineers they are today. I always considered Aunt Gertrude as one of their grandmothers. She also gave endless help to her two nieces Nancy and Rhonda -- never allowing them to go homeless or be in need which enabled both to live lives of dignity. I know for sure that Aunt Gertrude is now in a place of honor in heaven and I will miss her dearly. May God bless her forever.

Mary Rabideau-Pagels - mpagels@bex.net mpagels@bex.net - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Dearest Friends, How sad to hear of Gertrude's passing. She was remarkable in many ways. I am priviledged to have had her as my choir director since childhood. She was strong, determined, talented and feisty. Know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers and that I know Gertrude is helping to lead an angel choir. All my love and prayers, Sharon

Sharon L. (Mikowetz)Schulte - suziswit@bellsouth.net suziswit@bellsouth.net - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Dear Family of Ms. Pagels, my piano teacher,

My brother and I were fortunate to receive piano lessons from Ms. Pagels, as we called her. I am thinking of her now, after decades, because at age 63 I have bought a piano and I resumed playing (using some of my old piano books from Ms. Pagels) as if I had never stopped. I naturally thought of my teacher and how good she must have been to instill in me the wherewithall to begin playing after some 50 years?

I also enjoyed looking at all her horse books - I loved horses, and eventually got to ride horses in my 50's! Not her high level, of course.

Anyway, what a wonderful piano teacher she was, exacting, yet gentle and supportive. Thank you, Ms. Pagels. May you rest in peace.

Linda Shriner

Linda Nopper Shriner - September 06, 2015 at 11:22 AM