



Gladys Mary James

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Obituary of Gladys Mary Grant James

Gladys Mary Grant James, age 99, passed away on Christmas Day in the care of her loving family. She was born on April 24, 1920 to the late Rev. Stanley and Mrs. Florence Howell Grant in Rehoboth Beach, DE. Gladys was an incredibly optimistic woman who co-founded, with her husband Ronald, the James Funeral Home against incredible odds. They started in 1943 with wartime rationing and difficult days, yet succeeded in building a successful business that continues today after merging with Watson Funeral Home in 1970. Ronald preceded her in 1985. She also was a sales representative for Lloyd Memorials. She was a member of the Indian River Senior Center, and participated in the bowling league for over 35 years. In addition, she was also a member of the Dagsboro Church of God. Her message for young people was: "this is America, where there is opportunity. If you stick to it, with hard work you can achieve your dream."

Gladys is survived by her daughter Connie J. Kollock, and her husband, Joseph of Millsboro, DE. She is also survived by her "foreign exchange daughter" Hannelore Metzger. She also leaves behind a grandson, Joseph Kollock, III; six great-grandchildren; and four great-great grandchildren. The family expresses gratitude for the wonderful care given by Pat Hickman, Delphine Blake and Allie Kollock.

In addition to her husband and parents, Gladys was preceded by her beloved daughter Fay Donna, in 1948, and by six siblings, and a grandson: Jamie Kollock, in 2015.



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A funeral service and Celebration of Her Life will be held Saturday evening December 28, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Watson Funeral Home, 211 S. Washington St. Millsboro. Friends may call one hour prior from 6 to 7 PM for viewing and visitation. Pastor Alan Geijack will officiate. Interment will be on Sunday privately for the family only, in Mariner's Bethel Cemetery in Ocean View, DE.

Electronic condolences to:

www.watsonfh.com



Tribute Wall

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BB

Barbara Grant Burris lit a candle in honor of Gladys.

I shall miss my very dear Aunt Gladys! She was an inspiration to many and I loved her and shall miss her. Her niece, Barbara

December 28 at 8:00 PM



RF

Roselee Flowers lit a candle in honor of Gladys.

December 28 at 8:00 PM



VP

Vicki Parlier lit a candle in honor of Gladys.

Rejoicing with Aunt Gladys today, knowing she is rejoicing with the Savior! She almost completed her hundred years. What an inspiration! I know she is thrilled to be rejoined with family that have gone before. She has been set free. Love and comfort to Connie and family. Millsboro will not be the same.

December 27 at 8:00 PM



PO

Patricia And Ron Oliphant lit a candle in honor of Gladys.

We remember Mrs. James as a lady of grace and good will. She and Mr. James were part of the greatest generation who built our small town American communities. We know that your remembrances and faith in our Savior will sustain you.

December 27 at 8:00 PM



CM

Calvin And Jane Mccomrick lit a candle in honor of Gladys.

Mom Gladys, as we knew her, was a perky, enthusiastic little Lady who was always positive, and enthusiastic. Her bowling score was to be envied by people half her age. She lived the motto stated in her obituary. She had a big heart, never saw a stranger, and greeted everyone as if you were a best friend.

Mom Gladys was truly loved by many and will be missed by many, especially by her caregivers Pat Hickman and Allie Kollock.

December 26 at 8:00 PM





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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Gladys by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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