



Olive Eleanor Wade

January 27, 1927 - February 3, 2018

Olive Eleanor Wade, age 91, went to be with the Lord Saturday, Feb. 3 in Lebanon, Ind., surrounded by loved ones.

Born Jan. 27, 1927 to Harley and Maybeth (Rader) Wade in Clinton County, Ind., Olive was born with a love for sports and a heart for volunteering, helping others and making people smile. She always saw the good in everyone and everything.

A graduate of the Lebanon High School class of 1945, Olive attended Indiana University and obtained her teaching degree. As an educator in the Calumet area, she taught physical education and math, coached volleyball and track, and served as the dean of students. She was also an avid sports fan and supporter of her alma mater.

Olive was active in lobbying for better working environments for her fellow educators at all levels, including retired teachers.

She was a member of Terhune Methodist Church and the Methodist Church Women United and participated in church activities and missions for several churches in the community. Olive also served on the application committee for the Boone County Habitat for Humanity and organized the Christmas in July event that supported the Indiana United Methodist Children's Home. She also organized the local World Day of Prayer and her high school class reunions.

In honor of being such a devoted volunteer, Olive was recognized by several organizations as Boone County's Volunteer of the Year. She was also recognized for her many years of volunteer efforts for Boone County Senior Services and Witham Hospital. In her retirement years, Olive could be found organizing bridge and euchre games at the local nursing homes.

Olive enjoyed traveling the world during her lifetime and helping others. As such, she has donated her earthly body to the Indiana University School of Medicine so it can be used to continue her mission of helping others, even after she has gone to her heavenly home.

She was preceded by her parents and brother Grant Wade. Olive is survived by her brother Edwin Wade; nephew Jeffrey Wade and Elaine Heazeltine; nieces Cynthia (Keith) Johnson, Linda Bickel and Charee (John) Simon; great-nephews Robert (Laura) Johnson, Jeffrey (Bonnie) Johnson, Andrew (Alicia) Johnson and Grant Bickel; great-nieces Leslie Simon, Melissa Simon and Mary Bickel; great-great-nephews Aidan Johnson, Jeffrey Johnson and Caleb Johnson; and great-great-nieces Autumn Johnson, Adalyn Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson and Julia Johnson.

Olive requested no public service, but may be remembered by donations to Terhune Methodist Church or the Indiana United Methodist Children's Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Olive Eleanor Wade*

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“ *We are sooo very sorry for your loss but we just found out of Olive's passing. She was a friend of my parents Buddy & Betty Dircks, Frankfort. She & my Mom were Gold Ladies for Mental Health patients. She loved going to their place on the Tippicanoe river near Buffalo, In & riding their pontoon. She also enjoyed going to Red Barn Summer Theater & our Daughter's Tap Dancing recital. We sooo enjoyed visiting with her in the hospital on her 90th Birthday. She always had a story or memory to share. Fun & interesting friend who felt like family. We were blessed to know her. Please pass this onto her family as we don't have their address. Lynette & Jeff Hardesty on Frankfort, IN*

Lynette Hardesty - September 28, 2019 at 12:13 AM