



Pearl Weathers Smith Wells

Nov. 18, 1934 - June 8, 2022

Pearl Weathers Smith Wells passed peacefully Wednesday, June 8, at Grace Ridge Retirement Community with her family by her side. She deeply treasured a wide circle of family and friends and was a fiercely loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend.

Pearl enjoyed traveling with family and friends and kept an extensive list of her many adventures. Competitive and spirited, she spent countless hours playing cards with friends and backgammon with her husband of 68 years, John. She was defined by her graciousness, thoughtfulness, generosity, compassion, and adventurous spirit. The depth of Pearl's love and devotion to friends and family exists in beautiful and heartfelt handwritten letters that are treasured by all who knew her. She delighted in connecting with others, and is remembered for her gift of conversation and sincere interest in others. Because of this, her circle of loved ones spans from her childhood in Georgia to retirement in Morganton and many places in between. Above all, her family remembers her sincere encouragement to always "stay connected."

Pearl was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers, and her beloved son, John Wells Jr.

She is survived by her loving husband, John; daughters Kathryn (David) of Cary, NC, and Ashley (Mickey) of Morganton, NC; grandchildren Anna (Chris), Sally (Chris), Katie (Rob), and Max; and great-grandchildren Leighton, Lewis, Boden and Wells

Beck of Morganton, John, Joey and Emmie Hoppert of Cary, and Rory, Sally and Greta Haywood of Charlotte. Her love for her family is her legacy to her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A private family service will be held at the chapel at Grace Ridge Retirement Community at a later date.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to a charity of your choice.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

No tributes added yet.