



Phyllis Yvonne Lewis

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Phyllis “Yvonne” Lewis, 93, of Decatur, passed away on Saturday, November 30, 2024, at her home.

Yvonne was born on September 10, 1931, in Galesburg, IL. She was a daughter of the late Claire Delvan Schisler and Doris Jacobs Schisler.

Teaching was her purpose in life. She went from grade school through high school as a teacher, substitute teacher, and as a teacher’s aide at the college level. She was devoted to each student who came through her classroom and remembered every one of them.

Yvonne was a Christian, attending church at First Presbyterian of Decatur. Over the years there, she made many friends and participated in several groups; she especially enjoyed being able to help others through counseling. She was a talented artist. Whether she was working in oil or watercolor, she took pride in each abstract work, portrait, and still life piece she produced.

Spending time with her family was important to her, and she never missed an opportunity. Traveling, shopping, going out to eat, and simply enjoying one another’s company were always bright spots in her day.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband, Bill Lewis; and two brothers, Gale and Rodger.

Those surviving include: children, Phyllis (Chris) Ferguson, Scott (Amy) Lewis, and Scott David (Diane) Lewis; sisters, Jody, Anita, and Jeri; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and Will and Dawn, who cared so much for her.

A celebration of life will be held for Yvonne at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 4, 2025, at First Presbyterian church in Decatur.




Events


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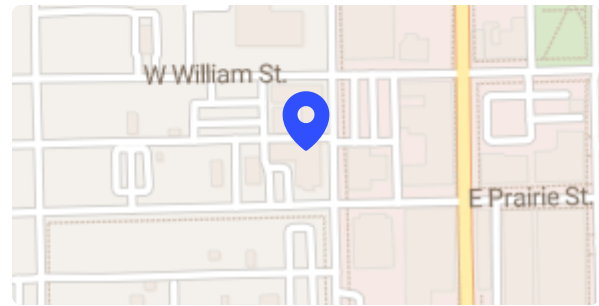
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Celebration of Life

 **Saturday**, January 4, 2025

 10:00 AM CT

 **First Presbyterian Church**
204 W Prarie, Decatur IL 62523





Tribute Wall

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SB

Susan Bell posted:

Although I only knew Yvonne for a relatively short time, she was an amazing person and a kindred spirit. I'm thankful I received the opportunity to know hershe will be missed ❤️ My condolences to all friends and family. Susan Bell

December 7 at 6:47 AM

KS

Kathy Small posted:

Best 5th grade teacher. Mrs Lewis was such a kind and caring woman. I am sure going to miss her.

December 6 at 1:29 PM

AT

Adam Tate posted:

Greatest 5th grade teacher. My favorite!!!

December 5 at 1:03 PM

CR

Clarence And Dorothy Roberts posted:

Condolences to Yvonne's family. Knew her from school and the Schisler family. She will be missed by those who knew her.

December 5 at 10:42 AM

CK

Cathy Kennedy posted:

Hearts and prayers are with you all. You were a true blessing to our family Yvonne and will be deeply missed. Love Elaine, Coleen & Cathy

December 5 at 6:11 AM



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DH

Darlene Hoffman posted:

I have wonderful memories of Yvonne Lewis. I first knew her as the wife of a Millikin colleague (Dean William Lewis); then she was one of my graduate students when I taught extension courses at Sangamon State University. I was amazed at her insights and her understanding of her elementary level students. We became good friends through her years as a teacher. When she retired, I hired her as an adjunct professor at Millikin University. Yvonne was an excellent mentor for Millikin's student teachers. I was blessed by her friendship, but many elementary school children and many Millikin teacher education students were also blessed by her commitment to their learning and development. Darlene Hoffman, Emeritus Associate Professor, Millikin University

December 4 at 7:26 PM

CM

Connie Matherly lit a candle in honor of Phyllis.

My deepest condolences & sympathy to all Phyllis's loved ones. RIP 🌷🌸🌹

December 4 at 5:23 PM



DG

Debbie Griffin lit a candle in honor of Phyllis.

Phyllis, we shared so much time at your house with your mom while in school. She was so sweet and I loved her so much. Heaven gained an angel. Sorry for your families loss.

December 4 at 4:15 PM



MM

Marcia Moore lit a candle in honor of Phyllis.

Yvonne was a very sweet lady. Phyllis her daughter and I've been friends for years. Prayers for the whole family. 🙏🙏❤️

December 4 at 3:41 PM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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