



## Rita May Wilber

September 15, 1926 - September 18, 2016

Rita May Wilber, 90, of Poland, New York, and formerly of Syracuse, New York, died peacefully at home on Sunday, September 18, 2016, while surrounded by family. Born in Syracuse, she was a daughter of the late Irving Emmet and Mildred Ruth VanDusen Young. Rita married Harold Weller Wilber, the love of her life, and they spent 38 years together before his death in 1985. In addition to her family, Rita had a special love for her dogs and grand-dogs.

Rita is survived by her daughters, Pamela (Bob) Gibson of Canada and Wendy (Randy) Martin of Poland, NY; sons, Greg (Lynn) Wilber of DeWitt, NY, and Craig "Biff" (Nancy) Wilber of Vernon, NY; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents and husband, Rita was predeceased by her brother, Irving Emmet Young, Jr.; sister, Ruthie Hartzel; and a son-in-law, Gene "Barrel" LaFave.

Rita's family would like to extend a special thank you to the love and support they have received from Father William Mesmer; Rhonda and Janet from BHC VN Herkimer; special friend Carrie Fitzsimmons; her nighttime caregivers, Diane and Karen; and her physician, Dr. Kachare.

Services and burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, please direct donations in Rita's name to St. Helena's Church, 210 Primo Avenue, Sherrill, NY 13461, or St. Jude Children's Hospital Tribute Program, PO Box 1000, Dept. 142,

Memphis, TN 38101.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rita May Wilber*



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**Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home** - September 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *We extend our condolences to Rita's family. Peace, Bruce and Suzie Barch*

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September 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sending sympathy from our family to yours. Remembering several fond memories. Hugs, Norm & Glenda Wilber*

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September 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *so sorry for your loss may peace be with her and the family*

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**Candle of Peace** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM