



Phyllis M. Olen, age 85 of Manistee, died Sunday, February 22, 2015 at Complex Care Hospital in Sarasota, Florida.

She was born on June 14, 1929 in Manistee, the daughter of the Late Andrew & Agnes (Krusniak) Smith. She attended Manistee High School, graduating in 1948. Phyllis married Arthur C. Olen on August 16, 1952 in the rectory of Saint Joseph Church in Manistee, where she was a lifelong member.

Phyllis is survived by her husband; Arthur C. Olen of Manistee, sons John (Sandra) Olen and Jim Olen of Manistee, and Arthur (Sharon) Olen Jr. of Jenison MI; grandchildren Amber (Olen) England of Walker MI, Amanda Olen of Punta Gorda FL., John (Beth) Olen II of Hibert WI., Jacob Olen of Manistee, Tori, Tara, & Tyler Olen of Jenison, MI; great grandchildren Hunter England and Daniel Rop of Walker MI, Hope Olen of Hilbert WI., and Gavin Pulido of Manistee, one sister Gertrude Smuda of Manistee, two brothers Richard Smith of Manistee and Floyd Smith of Free Soil. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to her parents, Phyllis was also preceded in death by one son & daughter-in-law Michael (Jeanne Akins) Olen, by two brothers Eugene & Clarence Smith, sisters-in-law Marie, Betty, Lenore, & Darlene, brother-in-law Ray Smuda, Sr. and a great granddaughter Alise Marie England.

Phyllis loved spending time with her family and many friends, but especially with her grand children and great grandchildren. She was enthusiastic about sports, including bowling for many years herself, and of course attending her children and grandchildren's extracurricular activities, including sporting and music events. She and her husband Art spent many wonderful and memorable times going out for meals with her sister Gert, her brother Rich, and brother and sister in law Harold and Vicky Olen. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, doing ceramics, and was also an avid flower lover. She spent many happy and relaxing hours caring for her plants and flowers.

A Memorial Mass from the Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated at Saint Joseph Church in Manistee on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 11:00 AM with Father John McCracken celebrant. The family will receive friends at the church from 10:00 AM until time of service.

Memorials in Phyllis's name may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association.

Please visit Phyllis's personal page of memories at [www.oakgrovefh.com](http://www.oakgrovefh.com) to share a story or photo. The family has entrusted the Oak Grove Funeral Home & Cremation Center with funeral arrangements.