



## Rosemary Regina Lones

March 23, 1921 - April 4, 2020

Rosemary Lones died peacefully on April 4, 2020. She was born March 23, 1921 on a farm in Carey, Ohio, one of eight children, to Vincent and Alma Orians. Rosemary married Oliver Lones during WW II in Mineral Well, Texas. After the war they came back to Toledo, where they built their own home.

She attended Sayer University of Cosmetology. Rosemary was a professional model for the Lion store, and for many years, a tax consultant for AARP, assisting seniors at tax time. She was active with her husband Oliver in the development of residential properties and in selling homes that were constructed by them. They developed and built Laurel Hills swim and tennis club, and the Frisch's Big Boy restaurants. Rosemary was also a beautician many years with Burton's Hairstylist.

She was most proud of her award winning floral designs, some of which included farm tools. Rosemary was a nationally accredited master flower show judge, and a longtime member of several Garden clubs, most recently the River Road garden club. She was an annual Judge and member of the "Glad" society at Lakeside, Ohio. She has lived on Daleford Drive 65 years.

Rosemary is survived by her son Russell Lones (Carol Gerken), her five grandchildren, Mike and Mark Lones, Carra Brown, Uel Pitts III, and Colleen Pitts; six great grandchildren; brother Donald (Barb) Orians, sister Ardyth Franklin, and son in law Uel (Paty) Pitts, II . She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Oliver, her daughter Sue Ann Pitts, and her daughter in law Patty Ann Lones.

There will be a private service on Thursday, April 9 at 10:00 a.m. at Coyle Funeral Home, with burial at Calvary Cemetery. Memorial donations may be given to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church or Putnam County Hospice.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the staff at VanCrest Nursing Home in Holgate, Ohio, for the kind and compassionate care of Rosemary. Please leave a condolence message for the family at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery

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## **Calvary Cemetery**

2224 Dorr St.

Toledo, OH, 43607

# Comments

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“ To Russell and Family

I was sorry to read about your Mother's death. She was a beautiful woman and accomplished much in her life.

My deepest condolence to you and your family..

Phyllis Kovacik Green

Phyllis Kovacik Green - April 11, 2020 at 12:38 PM

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“ I first noticed Rosemary at our spring fundraiser, Scintilla, about three or four years ago. She was wearing a beautiful suit and hat to match. She was with her friend, Helen, whom she brought to the event each year. I took her photo for our newsletter. I recognized her name from preparing our annual yearbook showing the listing of Northwest Ohio flower show judges. Over the years, we became friends. She would call me to make sure she and Helen would have good seats to view the fashion runway held each year at the Scintilla event. I assured her I would make that happened. Last year, she didn't have a ride home and I was happy to take her there. She wanted me to see her beautiful backyard by the waterful where she always planted her summer flowers. Then, I wanted to make sure she got into the house. She knew I loved flower arranging so in we went to look at her floral arrangements around the house. She was very talented. We had a lovely visit. I was sorry to learn she was no longer in the Toledo area and that I couldn't visit her or send a card. My heartfelt sympathy to all of you. Susan Utterback, Garden Club Forum of Toledo and Maumee Garden Club member.

Susan Utterback - April 10, 2020 at 12:04 PM

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“ Rosemary was the most wonderful neighbor. She welcomed us to a Daleford Drive 21 years ago. My brother knew her from the Lucas County fair where they judged flower shows. I enjoyed getting the history of the neighborhood, and of the Lones developments in other areas. My husband often went over to look at her televisions, she loved to talk to him. She was missed when she had to move out of the neighborhood, and will certainly be remembered fondly. With sympathy to all Sandie and Doug Prothero on Daleford

sandie Prothero - April 08, 2020 at 04:22 PM

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LONES FAMILY

I AM A VERY DISTANT COUSIN OF OLIVER.

ROSEMARY AND I WENT DOWN TO VISIT FLOYD, IN LAKESIDE OH, TOGETHER  
ONCE.

SHE WAS A WONDERFUL PERSON IN EVERY WAY.

SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.

BARB LOCKER

**BARB LOCKER** - April 08, 2020 at 09:05 AM