



## Clara Ruth Wells

November 27, 1936 - May 11, 2019

Clara “Ruth” (Stanley) Wells a devoted servant of God, wife and mother was called home to Jesus on May 10, 2019. She was born in West Jefferson Ohio to father Pearl Eldon Stanley and mother Cora Elizabeth (Bond) Stanley on November 27, 1936. Ruth’s intelligence and work ethic earned her the rank of valedictorian of her senior high school class. She was artistic and a very talented musician playing the piano, organ, accordion, guitar and mandolin by ear and sheet music. Ruth was also known as a meticulous book and record keeper. She married her husband Orville J. Wells, Jr. on May 21, 1955. Ruth, her husband and their four children at the time moved to New York State in 1967 to evangelize and spread the gospel. She and her husband founded the Pentecostal Gospel Lighthouse in Stottville, NY in 1978. This church was the center of their life going forward.

Ruth is survived by her husband Rev. Orville J. Wells, Jr., her only sibling Esther Mae (Stanley) Burnett, son Orville Jerry Wells, son Edward Joseph Wells, daughter Mariann (Wells) Starin, daughter Julia Esther (Wells) Biernacki, daughter Rebecca Lynn (Wells) Grey, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. A wake will be held at the Gospel Lighthouse church in Stottville on Friday May 17, 2019 6:00-8:00 PM, as well as her funeral on Saturday, May 18, 2019 3:00 PM. She will then be traveling to West Jefferson, Ohio for a service at the Apostolic Gospel Church at a yet to be determined date and time. Interment will follow at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in West

Jefferson, Ohio alongside her parents and paternal grandparents. To leave a message or online condolence please visit [batesanderson.com](http://batesanderson.com).

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

MAY 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gospel Lighthouse Church  
Stottville, NY

## Funeral Service

MAY 18. 3:00 PM (ET)

Gospel Lighthouse Church  
Stottville, NY