



## Yvonne M. Gray

October 30, 1922 - November 20, 2008

86, passed away at home on November 20, 2008. A product of the depression, she grew up on a farm in Bowling Green, Kentucky. After moving to Indianapolis, Yvonne graduated from Shortridge High School and was then married to Ermal Gray, a native of Washington, Indiana. While he served in the Army Air Corp during WWII, Yvonne traveled the country with him foreshadowing the thousands of miles she would travel later in life. A local businesswoman, operating motels and finally retiring from her car wash in 2003, she never missed an opportunity to see the world. With friends and family, Yvonne visited China, Japan, South Korea, Russia and almost every country in Western Europe. Transiting the Panama Canal three times, she rounded Cape Horn while touring South and Central America. Touched by the poverty she observed, Yvonne was a devoted Christian Children's Fund supporter providing financial support to numerous Latin American children. A world class blackjack player, Yvonne was the first woman to win an international Blackjack tournament at the Stardust Hotel in 1991 competing against over 400 entrants. Yvonne competed in multiple tournaments in Monte Carlo, Aruba, Mexico, Atlantic City and Las Vegas, winning her last tournament in 2006 at the age of 84. Yvonne is survived and will be deeply missed by her children, Debra (Adam) Maree, Stephen Gerald Gray and Deanna (Bob) Schreiber; grandchildren, Scott (Kathy) Schreiber, Robin (Chris) LeClaire, Danny Ward and Mark Ward; and her great-grandchildren, Kylie, Jacob, Kalyn, Kellen and Lydia. Services are entrusted to Shirley

Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St. in Indianapolis, with calling Sunday, November 23 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and Monday, November 24 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. with services to follow at 11:00 a.m. The family would like to express its gratitude to Carson Lutz, Dr. Teresa Schaeffer, Cris Sweeney with Home Instead and Community Home Health Hospice for their caring hearts. Memorial contributions may be sent to Christian Children's Fund, P.O. Box 26507, Richmond, VA 23261.