



Helga Ponischil (nee Wippermann)

March 13, 1935 - June 21, 2017

Helga Ponischil (nee Wippermann) of Sarasota was born in Swinemuende, Germany and came to the United States 60 years ago.

She was a nurse and met her husband Carl Ponischil, a radiologist, in Cleveland Ohio. The couple moved to Detroit MI a few years later and set up a Radiology office where Helga was the office manager.

Carl and Helga travelled the world together for many years but after Carl died in 1984, Helga moved permanently to Whispering Sands on Siesta Key and continued to travel with many friends.

She was President of Friendship Force Club of Sarasota from 1996 to 1998 and led several exchanges to various countries. She loved experiencing different cultures and learning new languages.

Helga was open minded and enjoyed having a good time.

Her friends would say that she was fun to be with whether it was at the bridge table, at an art class, travelling or sharing a meal.

Helga loved good food and it was a joy to share a meal with her. Each morsel that entered her mouth was savored and enjoyed to the fullest.

The family would like to thank her devoted caregivers Donna, Nina, Emi, Kristin and the entire staff at Alderman Oaks.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Alderman Oaks, 727 Hudson Ave. Sarasota on Wednesday, June 28 at 2:30 pm.

Tribute Wall



“ *I would like to extend my sincere condolences to your family. For your loss, there are no words that can ease the pain of losing someone you love. May you find comfort and peace in knowing that your loved one is in God's memory. Because they are precious in his eyes. Psalms 116:5.*

Courtney - June 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM