



## Luella Nazaruk

January 15, 1923 - April 27, 2023

Luella Henderson Muir Nazaruk of Ocala, Florida, passed away peacefully on April 27, 2023, at the E.W. and Lucille Cates Hospice House.

Luella was born in Mechanicville, New York, to Fred Muir and Ella Sibley Muir on January 15, 1923. She attended Mechanicville High School and graduated in 1939. She went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education in 1943 from the State University of New York at Fredonia. She worked as a music teacher in Suffolk County and Nassau County, New York, and in Marion County, Florida, for 27 years. She enjoyed raising her children, the arts especially - music, reading, gardening, dancing with her husband, going to the beach on the Atlantic coast, and socializing with friends.

Luella was active in the First Presbyterian Church of Ocala, where she was an Honorary Member of the National Presbyterian Women; National Education Association and the Florida Education Association. After retiring, she volunteered at Munroe Memorial

Regional Hospital for  
25 years. Over the years, she was a member of the Lake Weir Yacht Club,  
Florida Thoroughbred  
Fillies Club, and the Ocala Dance Club. She served in various elected officer  
positions in many  
of these organizations.

Luella is survived by her son, Gary Nazaruk (Nancy Jo) of Boerne, Texas; her  
daughter, Pamela  
Valenzuela (George) of Alexandria, Virginia; nieces and nephews and their  
children and  
grandchildren. She is preceded in death by Fred Nazaruk, her husband of 64  
years; Fred and  
Ella Muir, her parents; and Robert Muir, her brother. Throughout her life,  
Luella encouraged and  
inspired her children, nieces, nephews, and all others she came in contact  
with.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, July 30, 2023, at 2:00 pm at the  
First Presbyterian Church of Ocala, 511 S.E. Third Street, Ocala, FL 34471.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Luella's honor to the  
First Presbyterian  
Church of Ocala, 511 SE 3rd St, Ocala, FL 34471; or Hospice of Marion  
County, PO Box 4860,  
Ocala, FL 34478-4860, or online <https://www.hospiceofmarion.com/donate/>.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to the First Presbyterian Church of  
Ocala and Hospice of  
Marion County for serving Luella's spiritual and physical needs.

Luella is at peace and in the hands of the Lord.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL **30**. 2:00 PM.

First Presbyterian Church of Ocala