

# *Oyce Whitesell*

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Oyce D. (Meyer) Whitesell, age 78, of Toledo, died Wednesday, March 12, 1997 at the Medical College of Ohio.

Oyce was born in Shrieveport, LA, in 1918. She was married in 1939 to Howard Whitesell by Dr. Frank Nurse at the University of Toledo. They were the first couple ever married on the campus of the University of Toledo.

She was a WW II veteran where she was in the Women's Auxiliary Corp. (WAC) and was a member of the Maumee Post #320. Oyce held 5 college degrees, an Associate of Arts from Doud College, Shrieveport, LA, Bachelor's in Psychology and English from the University of Toledo, Bachelor's in Education from the University of Houston, Master's in Business Administration from the University of Houston and a special degree in curriculum from the University of Toledo.

She was a member of numerous education and academic honor societies, among them are Theta Tau Epsilon, Phi Kappa Phi (Scholarship), Pi Gamma Mu (Social Science), Delt Pi Epsilon (Business), Alpha delta Kappa, Kappa Delta Pi (Education) and Pi Lamda.

Oyce was a teacher at Bedford Senior High School for 35 years where she was the vocation curriculum board chairman for many years. From 1971-1978, she was president of the Bedford Education Association and was Chairman of the Monroe County Representatives to the National Education Association for many years.

Oyce was preceded in death by her husband, Howard (1995) and is survived by her daughter, Kathleen (Gregg) Libke; grandchildren Brad and Lara Snedeker; 4 nephews; and many great nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Saturday from 11 a.m – 1 p.m. At the H. H. Birkenkamp Fruneral Home, Trilby Chapel at Alexis, where services will follow at 1 p.m. Interment in Toledo Memorial Park, Sylvania.

**Any memorial tributes may be made to the Whitesell Fund at Bedford High School or to the donor's choice.**

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