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Olive June (Young) Williams, 90, entered her heavenly home on June 6, 2015 after a valiant battle with a short illness. Her devotion to her family and her firm belief in God supported her in her struggle and ultimately gave her peace. Olive left the legacy of loyalty and love of God to her children, grandchildren, and all who knew her.

Olive was born to the late Adeline M. (Packard) Young and Kenneth Earl Young in the family residence on 416 State Street, Towanda, PA on June 28, 1924.

As the oldest daughter, and the second of five siblings, she lovingly helped with their care. From sixth grade on, Olive helped operate her family's grocery store next to their home. She would open the store for the early shift of factory customers and close late at night.

While attending Towanda High School, she met her sweetheart, Kenneth Hall Williams. Olive and Ken married on Sunday, January 24, 1943. They enjoyed a fleeting three months together working at the Eclipse in Horseheads, NY before Ken entered the service during World War II. From the time Ken left for basic training on February 9, 1943 until he returned home in October 1945, Olive was by his side everywhere he was stationed. They lived in Bellville, Illinois; Madison, Wisconsin; Northfield, Vermont; San Antonio, Brady,

Greenville, Sherman, and Waco, Texas. Every time they moved, Olive would find work and a place to room. They were determined to remain close together no matter how long the war was going to last.

Their 44 years together were an example of mutual devotion and unconditional love for their children and grandchildren. After VE and VJ days, Ken (and Olive in a sense) were released from service. Finally, they were able to start a family and did so with four children: Joan Marie, Kenneth Harry, Diann June and Carol Ann.

When their children were young, Olive and Ken started a family tradition, renting a cottage for summer vacations. Over the years, the family grew and their children purchased cottages to expand the tradition. Every summer, Olive has gathered family at a lake to introduce them to swimming, skiing, boating, glorious sunsets, picnics and campfire fellowships. The first cottage was christened The Olive Branch, honoring her spirit.

Olive grew up as a member of the Towanda Methodist Church. On Palm Sunday in 1948, Olive and Ken joined the Ulster Methodist Church and remained active members for their lives. Thanks to her caring church family, Olive was able to live independently for many years after losing Ken. Family and friends were Olive's passion and delight. She took great pleasure in entertaining and celebrating any and all occasions. She was a wonderful hostess--famous for her Parker House rolls, sticky buns, and homemade pies. Olive was predeceased by her daughter, Diann June, January 1952; her husband, Kenneth, March 1987; her brother, William Packard Young, January 2007; her sister, Gwendolyn Esther (Young) Brecher, January 2008; and her brother Dr. Jerome K. Young, December 2010.

She leaves behind to celebrate her life:

Her devoted sister, Patricia Adeline (Young) Goodwin (John Richard Goodwin) of Elmira, NY

Her sisters-in-law: Doris Elaine (Hanger) Young of Naples, FL; Marilyn Alice (Daron) Young from Camptown, PA

Her three children: Joan Marie Schulze (Dr. Walter Arthur Schulze) of Alfred Station, NY; Kenneth Hall Williams ("Jean"/Regina Francis Weber Johnson) of Wysox, PA; Carol Ann Richie (Major Lee Stanford Richie) of Ulster, PA

Her nine grandchildren: "Marnie"/Rose Marie Johnson (Frank Nappi) of Brookhaven, PA; Robert Charles Johnson ("Dolly"/Claire Marie McShane) of Glen Mills, PA; Jason Kenneth Williams (Krista Steinmetz Havlik) of St. Simons Island, GA; Tiffany Renee (Richie) Mussmon (Chad Eric Mussmon) of Purcellville, VA; Luke Eric Schulze of Owego, NY; Heidi Marie (Schulze) Ormeno (Richard Paul Ormeno) of Owego, NY; Lee Kenneth and Jordan Isabella (McWhorter) Richie of Harpers Ferry, W VA; Ryan Dallas Richie of Ulster, PA; Gretchen Elizabeth Schulze of Alfred Station, NY

Her eight Great-Grandchildren: Noah Robert, Grace Olivia, Jeremiah Kenneth, Graham Elijah and Vaughn Andrew Mussmon of Purcellville, VA; Bobbi Claire and Brooke Marie Johnson of Glen Mills, PA; Grant Alexander Ormeno of Owego, NY

Many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends...

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE service for Olive will be held: Sunday, June 14, 2015 at the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home - 217 York Ave; Towanda, PA 18848. The family will welcome guests from 3:00-4:00 pm. Service is at 4:00 pm. Dinner will follow the service at the Ulster Methodist Church - Second Street; Ulster, PA - 5:30 pm or when everyone gathers. Burial will be Monday, June 15, 2015 at 1:00 pm at the Bradford County Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Ulster Methodist Church – c/o Dan Reynolds; 5792 Ulster Road; Ulster, PA 18850.

# Cemetery Details

## Bradford County Memorial Park

20452 Route 6  
Towanda, PA 18848

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 14. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home  
217 York Ave.  
Towanda, PA 18848  
(570) 265-2272  
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# Tribute Wall



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