

Pearl L. Smith, 85, formerly of Wallace, died May 31, 2011, at the Luther Home, Marinette, where she resided for the past six years.

Pearl Peterson was born Feb. 21, 1926, in Beresford, SD, to the late Arthur and Elvina (Olson) Peterson. On July 29, 1954, she married Howard Smith in Floodwood, MN. He preceded her in death Nov. 23, 2003. Pearl graduated from Concordia University in Moorhead, MN, with a bachelor's degree in Liberal Arts and from the University of Wisconsin with a bachelor's degree in Library Science. She was head librarian for the Menominee County Library for many years. She enjoyed music and playing the piano. Pearl was a member of Bethel Mission Covenant Church where she served as librarian and Sunday school teacher. She was supportive of Christian mission.

She is survived by her daughter, Laura (Edward) Ellcey, Ypsilanti, MI; son, David (Rae Ellen) Smith, Green Bay, five grandchildren; two sisters, Helen (Reverend Don) Johnson, Sparta, MI, and Clara (Warren) Newlin, Wallace, nieces, nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Reverend Arthur Peterson and Reverend Donald Peterson.

Visitation will be held June 3 at Anderson Diehm Funeral Home, Stephenson, from 12:30 p.m. until time of funeral service at 1 p.m. Reverend Jon Lindt officiating. Burial will follow in Mellen Township Cemetery. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.