



Naomi R. Croft, 87, of West Decatur, PA, died May 17, 2022. She was born on April 13, 1935, in (British) Guyana, a daughter of the late Edward Everett "E.E." and Eunice (Petry) Phillippe. Growing up in a missionary family, she graduated from high school while living on Antigua, West Indies, furthering her education at Frankfort Pilgrim Bible College, Frankfort, IN.

Naomi married Rev. John L. Croft on August 25, 1956. They pastored Wesleyan churches in Michigan, Kentucky and Pennsylvania. From 1962-1974 they served as missionaries in Suriname, South America and the Cayman Islands. Naomi was a dedicated homemaker who loved to read and

spend time with her family. She taught piano lessons for many years and had a beautiful singing voice. She was loved by everyone who knew her.

Naomi is survived by her husband, Rev. John L. Croft and by two daughters, Eunice (Rev. Rick) Cox of Altoona, PA, and Dorcas Croft of the Kingdom of Eswatini (Swaziland); two sons, Rev. Robert J. (Cindy) of Clearfield, PA and Rev. John D. (Shanda) of Port St. Lucie, FL; 11 grandchildren, Rev. Rebecca (Rev. Graham) Perry, Jon and Brittany Croft, David Croft, the Rev. Richard (Tonya) Cox, Timothy, Trevor, and Isaiah Cox, Travis Croft, Brooke (Rev. Jason) Leadingham, Rachel (Zech) Manring and Mathias Croft; 10 great-grandchildren; one sister, Esther Phillippe, of Bartlesville, OK; one brother, Paul (Sally) Phillippe of Bartlesville, OK; and numerous extended family members.

Naomi was preceded in death by one brother, Marcus Phillippe, in addition to her parents. Burial took place at Bradford Cemetery, Woodland, PA. Memorial contributions may be made to Hyde Wesleyan Church, 1215 Riverview Rd., Clearfield, PA 16830, earmarked for Emmanuel Bible College in Manzini, Eswatini. Family and friends may sign the online guestbook and share memories at www.beezerheathfh.com.