



Iris Betty Faford

April 24, 1926 - August 31, 2020

Iris Betty Faford, 94, of Kankakee passed away at her home in Riverside Senior Life Community on August 31, 2020. She was born April 24, 1926 in Kankakee to Otha and Bertha (Gressens) Sublette. Iris married Adrian Faford March 12, 1948 and he preceded her in death in 1989.

She was recruited to attend nursing school through the U.S. Army Nurse Cadet Corp. Iris was an RN at St. Mary's Hospital, Riverside Medical Center and finished her career as school nurse at Olivet Nazarene University. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Kankakee for over 70 years and was active in the Women's Circle, helping with Fund Raisers or anywhere she was needed. Iris was a devoted Christian and enjoyed reading her Bible devotions daily. She was a diehard Chicago Cubs fan and volunteered at the Salvation Army and the American Red Cross. Iris enjoyed playing golf in the Shamrock Women's League and most of all she loved spending time with her family.

Surviving are 2 sons and daughters-in-law; Robert (Diane) Faford of New Lenox, James (Karen) Faford of Kankakee, a daughter and son-in-law; Ann (Mark) McWatters of Richmond, TX, grandchildren; Jason (Tracy) Parrott, Bret (Anna) Faford, Sarah (Kate) Faford-Johnson, Rachel Faford, Conrad (Kristen) McWatters, Jordan (Caroline) McWatters, Colin (Nicolette) McWatters, great-grandchildren: Sophia and Juliet Parrott, Eliana and Bennett Faford, Emerson and Reagan McWatters. Also surviving is a sister and brother-in-law; Donna (Vince) Saindon of Bourbonnais, a brother and 2 sisters-in-law; Marvin (Gwen) Sublette of Grand Junction, CO and Mary Jane Sublette of Bourbonnais as

well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Iris was preceded in death by her parents, husband, a brother; Donald Sublette, a sister, Gloria Patton and 2 sisters-in-law, Patricia Sublette and Lois Womack.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Private services will be held due to Covid-19 restrictions. Memorials may be made in her name to First Baptist Church of Kankakee.

Please sign her online guestbook at www.schrefflerfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Iris Betty Faford*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *Jim & Karen - my deepest sympathy on the loss of your mother*

Carol Conrad

Carol Conrad - September 13, 2020 at 04:44 PM



“ *I can't think of Iris without seeing her smile and hearing her laugh. She was such a devoted friend to my mom, Fran Schierholz. Our entire family is saddened by her passing. Prayers for your family. Kathy (Schierholz) Marcotte*

Kathy Marcotte - September 09, 2020 at 10:08 PM



“ *I grew up across the alley from the Fafords such nice people and great neighbors. My condolences. Jim Frieling*

Jim Frieling - September 09, 2020 at 02:19 PM

PC

“ To know Iris, was to love her. She was a dear friend of my mother, Frances Schierholz. I have a sweet memory of taking my mom over to visit Iris at her apartment about 6 years ago. Throughout the years, from nurses training, raising their families, their nursing careers and vacationing together in retirement, they remained true friends. Iris will be missed by so many. prayers for Bob, Jim, Ann and their families. Trisha Campbell

Patricia Campbell - September 08, 2020 at 04:36 PM

CR

“ Deepest sympathy on the loss of your mother.

Carolyn Ryan - September 05, 2020 at 07:26 PM

MS

“ Ann and family,
I am sending thoughts your way. After reading your mom's obituary I realized our mom's were both nurses! I am sorry for your loss.
Mary Fegan Stockert

Mary Frances Stockert - September 05, 2020 at 03:26 PM

JD

“ I have memories of Iris from Meyers bakery. She introduced me to my wife Gearldine. Sorry for your loss. Praying for you all Ron Dygert.

James Dygert - September 03, 2020 at 05:28 PM

AS

“ I just happened to view the obituaries from the Daily Journal in my hometown of Kanakakee to see my mom's friend Iris. Iris was my mom's best friend in nurses training. Reva (Ditzler) Hebert, my mom, and Iris shared a room while in school at St. Mary's. I was only about 5 or 6 years old when we would visit the Faffords, as families did back then. My older siblings have more memories of playing with the Fafford children. In my mind's eye I still have a vivid picture of Iris and Aidie. So many times in my teenage years, when my head was wrapped in a towel from having just washed my hair, my mom would tell me how much I reminded her of Iris when they were roommates. I could tell by her expression how much she loved her friend, Iris. My mom, who passed away in 2005, will be greeting Iris in heaven. I miss my mom and she would be happy to know I shared this memory with you. May all Iris' family find comfort at this most difficult.

Alice (Hebert) Simonds - September 03, 2020 at 09:16 AM

CK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Carol Kuipers - September 03, 2020 at 08:01 AM

ES

“ Iris will be greatly missed here around Riveraide Senuor Life! Her sweet spirit, beautiful smile and contagious giggles will forever be remembered and missed. Thank you for allowing us to be apart of her life! Praying for peace and comfort for all that knew and loved her. She will be missed!

Erika Schultz - September 02, 2020 at 04:55 PM

JR

“ *What a sweet and beautiful soul. I was privileged to know her in the Westwood dining room. She was always so worried about me traveling for work and would always tell me to be careful. Loved her. Will be praying for your family.*

Jean Rousey - September 02, 2020 at 09:56 AM

SA

“ *My deepest condolences to the whole family. Such a beautiful soul. I will forever remember her beautiful smile. Tight hugs and prayers of strength during this difficult time 🙏💕*



Stacey Alsip - September 02, 2020 at 08:00 AM