



Alice L. Heath

November 29, 1937 - February 5, 2019

Alice Luella (Wiley) Heath of Anderson, Indiana passed away surrounded by her family when metastatic breast cancer took her life on February 5, 2019. Despite the cancer, her smile never dimmed. She lived graciously and courageously until the very end.

Alice was the sixth of eight children born to Albert & Miriam (Reeder) Wiley on November 29, 1937 in Florence, Indiana. She was raised in a loving home overlooking the Ohio River. While still in high school, she met her future husband. She also knew she wanted to have a career in nursing. After graduating high school in 1955, she received a scholarship to nursing school and moved to Lexington, Kentucky to pursue her nursing education at the Appalachian School of Nursing. Immediately after the graduation ceremony, Gene proposed to her and they were married at the Church of Christ at Florence in Florence, Indiana on November 25, 1956.

Alice had a passion for nursing. After moving with Gene to Anderson, Indiana in 1959, she worked at St. John's Hospital and then helped to open Community Hospital in 1962. Most of the time, she worked at Community in the newborn nursery, which she loved. She worked at Community until her retirement after 31 years of service. After retirement, she enjoyed traveling and visiting her family. She continued to work as a volunteer at the hospital until her illness made it too difficult.

Besides loving her family, she also loved going to church, the Highland High School Band, the Cincinnati Reds, playing Aggravation, camping and traveling all over the world with Gene. A large part of that travel was by motorcycle. Alice was a member of the Anderson First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Robert, Norman and Ivan; sisters, Winnifred, Joyce and Mary K.

Left to cherish her memory are: her husband of 62 years, Elbert Eugene "Gene" Heath; children, Terry (Janice) Heath, Tamera (Ron) Veverka, Timothy (Terri) Heath; 6 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren; a sister, Alberta Pickett, and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Services will be held on Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 4:00pm at Loose Funeral Homes and Crematory, 200 West 53rd Street, Anderson, IN 46013 officiated by Dr. Art Jaggard and Rev. Barton Howard. Visitation will be 2:00pm-4:00pm Sunday at the funeral home.

Burial will take place in East Maplewood Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Church of Christ at Florence, 502 Hill Road, Florence, IN 47020.

Events

FEB **Visitation** 02:00PM - 04:00PM

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FEB **Service** 04:00PM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Loose Funeral Home - February 08 at 10:44 AM



“ Jim and Diana Stum purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Alice L. Heath.



Jim Stum - February 08 at 04:09 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Alice L. Heath.



February 08 at 03:44 PM



“ We would like to express our deepest sympathy. May those precious memories be foremost in your hearts and minds during this difficult time.
Isaiah 25:8

Jackson Family - February 08 at 01:45 PM



“ 81 files added to the album LifeTributes



Loose Funeral Home - February 08 at 09:38 AM



“ So very sorry for your loss. I got to know Alice and Gene through volunteering at Community Hospital, they were a great couple. We will all miss her beautiful smile.
Mary Campbell

Mary Campbell - February 07 at 10:20 PM



“ Terry, Gene & Heath Family,

Barb and I are very sorry to read in the paper today that your dear mother and wife died. Alice was a kind, generous and hospitable woman as I fondly recall when we were growing up as neighbor kids. And Alice was at CHA when I started in 1983 and was a super nurse and caregiver.

Unfortunately, we are unable to go to the services as we are out of town.

Our hearts go out to you all and we are so sorry for your loss. Our deepest sympathies to the entire family.

John Bradley & Barbara Harris

John Bradley Harris - February 07 at 08:41 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Alice L. Heath.



February 07 at 06:49 AM



“ When my daughter was born, Alice was there to offer good advice to my wife and when I was the band director at Highland High School, Alice (and Gene) were thereto support Tammy and film the band. My wife and I appreciated her wisdom and support many times. Heaven just gained a new angel! Nina and I offer our sympathy to Alice's family. Losing such a generous and thoughtful family member will be difficult. May the rich memories of Alice lift you up each time you feel the loss created by her physical presence. Dr. Hugh and Nina Callison.

Dr. Hugh Callison - February 06 at 06:34 PM



“ Your family will forever be in our prayers. Mrs. Heath was a kind and caring person. Tim and I certainly tested that kindness. She always made me feel welcome when I was there. Heaven added an angel to it's ranks. God Bless. Mr. Heath, Tammy, Terry and Tim, you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Doug Campbell

Doug Campbell - February 06 at 01:04 PM