



Frances Leila (Harrant) Eiteljorge

July 13, 1923 - January 20, 2014

Frances Leila (Harrant) Eiteljorge was born on July 13th, 1923 in Kaukauna, Wisconsin and died on January 20th, 2014 in Bloomington, Indiana. She was preceded in death by her husband, Everett Wayne Eiteljorge. She is survived by her daughter, Francie Hurst, Son in Law, David Hurst; Son, Terrance (E.J.) Eiteljorge, Daughter in Law, Caroline Eiteljorge; grandsons Michael Buchanan and Evin Eiteljorge; granddaughters Jenny (Dan) Sparks and Marcy Bennett; great granddaughters Sarah Sparks, Nikki Boden, Chelsea Sparks and Riley Bennett; great-grandsons Ethan Sparks and Tyler Bennett and also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends. A longtime resident of Haleyville, Alabama, she spent the past three years with her daughter and son in law in Bloomington, Indiana.

Leila was a retired registered nurse who served Winston County, Alabama as a visiting Public Health Nurse. Traveling the length and breadth of the county she drove thousands of miles to ensure that her patients received quality health care on a regular basis.

After retiring, Leila was able to satisfy her lifelong passion for traveling the world. She traveled throughout the United

States, Europe, Asia and Australia. A deeply religious Catholic, she was able to participate in religious pilgrimages to the Holy Land and Medjugorje, Yugoslavia.

She was devoted to the Catholic Church and was a founding member of Our Lady of Guadalupe parish in Haleyville, Alabama. Because of her devotion to the Church she was accepted as a Dame in the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. She worked tirelessly to support the Church and her parish, especially during the annual parish bake sale. She combined her piety with action by making rosaries. During her life she made hundreds of rosaries and sent them to service members deployed overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan as well as to wounded service members hospitalized at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas. She also was a Confirmation teacher and provided rosaries for her students.

Leila was an expert at all needle crafts, and especially loved knitting and crocheting. While living in Alabama, she organized a ministry that made baby dolls for Children's Hospital in Birmingham so that every sick child was given a doll for comfort. She took particular pride in making knitted hats for newborn babies and over the past few years made a hat each day for the babies and children at Middle Way House, a shelter for women and children fleeing violence at home.

She was a lifelong sports fan and was particularly devoted to the Chicago Cubs, the University of Notre Dame Fighting Irish and the Auburn University Tigers. Some of her happiest memories were attending games at Wrigley Field and the campuses of Notre Dame and Auburn University.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Middle Way House, 338 S Washington St, Bloomington, IN 47401, Pets Alive Nonprofit Spay/Neuter Clinic at 2444 South Walnut Street, Bloomington, IN or your local Relay for Life.

Those wishing to pay their respects may participate in the public visitation on Thursday, January 23rd, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Allen Funeral Home, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, Indiana.

Burial will be in Forest Hill Cemetery, Greencastle, Indiana, Friday, January 24th at 1:00 p.m.

Allen Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Friends can send condolences to www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

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“ *Francie and Terry, so sorry to hear about your mother. I have missed her so much since she moved however I'm glad she got to spend time with you all. And of course we have missed her playing bridge, she was such a good player! She was such a special person.*

Leah (Mitchell) Butler - October 26, 2015 at 04:07 PM

JA

“ *Francine & Dave*

We are so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. You have been loving and kind supporters of your mother and have set an example for everyone around you. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Kelly & Jackie

Jackie Wikle - October 26, 2015 at 04:07 PM

MB

“ *I'm sorry to hear if Leila's passing! My mother Freda Wolfe & I spent alot of time fishing with Leila. She was a wonderful lady & will be missed. Praying for your family!!*

Melinda Bailey - October 26, 2015 at 04:07 PM

RO

“ *Francie: Your mom was a remarkable person and I can remember her talking about all the great things would do at church. What a great person she was and will be missed by many. Prayers to you and your family.*

Rosemary Romalia

rosemary romalia - October 26, 2015 at 04:07 PM

DH

“ *Francie and Dave,
We were deeply saddened by the news of Frances Leila (Harrant) Eiteljorge's passing. Our heart felt condolences to you and your family.*

-Dheepa, Shyam and Tarun

Dheepa Lekshmanan - October 26, 2015 at 04:07 PM

PA

“ *Francie and Dave, So sorry for your loss, but I know you enjoyed your time with your Mother. She will be with you always.*

Love and prayers, Pam

Pam Gregory - October 26, 2015 at 04:07 PM