



Iris Joanna Clawson

December 26, 1933 - April 6, 2021

Iris Joanna Clawson, 87, of Bloomington passed away on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at the Bell Trace Health and Living in Bloomington.

She was born on December 26, 1933 in Owen County, Indiana the daughter of Jett Calvin and Stella Ann (Rawley) Clawson. Iris was a 1951 graduate of Freedom High School. She was an assembly line worker for over 42 years at RCA in Bloomington before retiring.

In addition to collecting owls, she enjoyed working puzzles, playing bingo, gardening, and knitting. She was an avid NBA basketball fan, loved the Pacers, and was happy to share her knowledge and opinion of the game. She was most proud when a local journalist wrote and published a story about her love of basketball. She was a lovely lady, never met a stranger, and will be greatly missed.

Iris is survived by her sister, Lois (Floyd) Byrum of Spencer, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers, Jerald Clawson; Truman Clawson; Delmar Clawson and Ransom Clawson.

A funeral service will be held at 1:00pm Friday April 9, 2021 at the Allen Funeral Home 4155 S. Old St Rd 37 Bloomington. Burial will follow at Valhalla Memory Gardens. Visitation will be held from 11:00am to service time Friday, April 9, 2021 at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory have been entrusted with arrangements.

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at
www.allencares.com

Cemetery Details

Valhalla Memory Gardens

310 North Johnson Ave.
Bloomington, IN 47401

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 9. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37
Bloomington, IN 47401
(812) 824-5905
<http://www.allencares.com>

Service

APR 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RF

“ Iris was lovely. In 2016, my partner and I rented a house for six months not far from hers. She would always greet us from her front porch. We would talk about her plants, her job at RCA, and her love of basketball. We moved to another neighborhood years ago, but we often thought of Iris and remembered her fondly. Sincere condolences to the family and to Iris's many friends. God bless her. (and GO Pacers!)

Rocky Festa - April 08, 2021 at 06:42 PM

KB

“ I had just moved onto Rogers Street, around the corner from Iris and met her my first day while walking my dog. She told me the great story about her love of basketball that was in the paper. She was so proud! She made me instantly feel like I was a part of this little McDoel Gardens community. I looked forward to a porch-side chats every time I walked down Allen. What a wonderful person! Thank you.

Kathy Bruner - April 08, 2021 at 03:50 PM



“ Tracy Kovacs purchased the Heavenly Sentiments Spray for the family of Iris Joanna Clawson.



Tracy Kovacs - April 07, 2021 at 10:08 PM



“ My first job out of college was at RCA Bloomington. I was 20 years old and one of the youngest employees there. After a few months in facilities maintenance, I moved out to "AIL 1" (automated instrument line) working on the robotics of an assembly line making 20" television's. Of the many line workers that sat on the line assembling the TVs, Iris was my favorite. She worked at the packer machine placing the Styrofoam packing on top of the TV after the machine picked up the TV and placed it in the box. If the machine broke, I would show up and she would tell me what the machine did and what she thinks is the problem. We worked together 3 years then she retired (she was 62 when I met her). In between machine repairs I had a lot of time to kill so I would sit and talk to Iris. We spent so much time together and talked about everything from persimmon pudding (I never had persimmon until she brought me some), strawberry festivals, flowers, homes, appliances, retirement, marriage, you name it. After she retired we stayed in touch about once a year when I would revisit Bloomington. She would call me every year on my birthday, she would remember. She would be watching a ball game whenever I would talk to her. I will miss you Iris!

Tracy Kovacs - April 07, 2021 at 09:57 PM

ME

“ Iris was a dear friend, and a hard working co-worker at RCA. She will be missed by the many that knew her. So sorry about her passing.

Mary Ellen

Mary Ellen - April 07, 2021 at 05:42 PM

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“ *Mary Ellen lit a candle in memory of Iris
Joanna Clawson*



Mary Ellen - April 07, 2021 at 05:41 PM