



Doris R Blaney

September 5, 1932 - June 28, 2015

Doris R. Blaney, age 82 of Hobart, passed away on June 28, 2015. Doris grew up in Hobart in the family homestead built by her grandfather in 1885 and returned to raise her children there. She was very proud of her family and Hobart history. She loved to cook and entertain in her home and loved music. Doris graduated from Hobart High School in 1950 and graduated from Indiana University in 1955 with a Bachelor's degree in Nursing. She received her Master's at University of Chicago in 1959 and a Doctorate from IU in higher education in 1973. She was a former Dean and Professor of Nursing at IU Northwest and was a former President of the Indiana State Nurses Association, Visiting Nurses Association and other nursing organizations. She served as a nursing leader on the local, national and international levels. She was also a published author. She was a seasoned traveler, including nursing exchanges in China, South Korea, and the Soviet Union. She was a lifelong member of Augustana Lutheran Church, a member of the Portage Tri-Kappa, and a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing.

Doris was preceded in death by her sister – Marjorie Stangbye; brother – Frank Papke; Survivors include her husband of 59 years – Karter R. “Bob” Blaney, who she married on March 10, 1956; two sons – James (Stephanie) Blaney of Brentwood, TN and Thomas (Maria) Blaney of Prosper, TX.; four grandchildren – Triston Blaney and Sydni Gause of Brentwood, TN., Thomas and Bianca Blaney of Prosper, TX; one brother – Ralph Papke of Rochelle, IL.; many nieces and nephews, extended family and friends.

Friends may visit with Doris' family from 2-8 on Tuesday, June 30, 2015, at Burns Funeral Home, 701 East 7th Street, Hobart. Funeral service will be Wednesday, July 1, directly at Augustana Lutheran Church, 207 Kelly Street, Hobart; Doris will lie in state from 10 – 11 with the funeral service following immediately at 11:00 a.m. Interment at Ridgelawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Augustana Foundation, 207 Kelly Street, Hobart, IN 46342, or the IU Foundation, Doris R. Blaney Scholarship, c/o Office of Development IU Northwest, 3400 Broadway, Gary, IN 46408. www.burnsfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Ridgelawn Cemetery

4401 Broadway
Gary, IN 46408

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home - Hobart
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Hobart, IN 46342
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funeral

JUL 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

Augustana Lutheran Church
207 North Kelly Street
Hobart, IN 46342

Tribute Wall

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“ For the Blaney family,
We are saddened at the loss of Doris. Our
staff offers our most sincere condolences.
Our thoughts and prayers are with your family
at this time.



Aseracare Hospice - July 13, 2015 at 12:53 PM

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“ When I remember Doris, I think of an elegant, gracious, competent
professional. She did an impressive job of building nursing at
Indiana University Northwest and of mentoring her faculty. She
accomplished all of this with good humor and a love of IU. She was
a pioneer in nursing, having been one of the first nurses in Indiana
to be elected to fellowship in the American Academy of Nursing. I
treasure her as an esteemed colleague. Angela McBride

Angela McBride - July 02, 2015 at 11:08 AM

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“ "I will always remember Doris' contributions to the Indiana State
Nurses Association and IU School of Nursing! She was a great
colleague!" Brenda Lyon

brenda Lyon - July 01, 2015 at 05:36 PM

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“ Will always remember the wonderful reunions at the Grant Street
Inn with the Phi Gamms and their wives. It was a wonderful time
with great friends, each one contributing their own special joys. God
Bless Doris, she was loved by all. Joan and Dick.

Joan Bennett - June 30, 2015 at 03:46 PM

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“ *To the Bob Blaney family, Our great Sympathy and Love to all. Doris will be greatly missed and we will all remember her wonderful smile and generous heart. Joan and Dick Bennett.*

Joan Bennett - June 30, 2015 at 03:40 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Doris R Blaney.*



June 30, 2015 at 12:31 PM