



Alta Mae (Sowers) Taylor

May 27, 1929 - January 5, 2021

Alta Mae (Sowers) Taylor, formerly of Mounds, IL died January 5, 2021, at Brandon Regional Medical Center, Brandon, FL. She was born May 27, 1929, in Ullin, IL to Arvle and Ina Mae (Crippen) Sowers. On September 25, 1949, she married Donald Jean Taylor, Mounds, IL, who preceded her in death. She was a member of First United Methodist Church, Mounds, IL.

She was also preceded in death by 4 sisters-Bernice Rudolph, Mounds, IL; Jean Price, Mounds, IL; Sarah Gorden, Lake Station, IN; and Carol Stringer, Pulaski, IL.

She is survived by a brother, Chuck Sowers, Mounds, IL; sister-in-law, Jeannie (Neil) Taylor, Mounds, IL; sons, Jay Curtis (Kathy) Taylor, Brandon, FL; and Joe Donald (Pandora) Taylor of Makanda, IL; grandsons, Joe Curtis (Kristen) Taylor, Melbourne, FL; Jason Curtis (Windy) Taylor, Tallahassee, FL; Bryan Lee (Allison) Taylor, Brandon, FL; and Nicholas Todd (Jamie) Taylor, Marion, IL. Also many great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date when it is safe to gather.

Crain Funeral Home of Cairo is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Green Lawn Memorial Gardens

Villa Ridge, IL

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall



“ *Alta Mae (Sowers) Taylor*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I am so very sorry to hear of Alta Mae's passing. I remember Alta Mae visiting us many years ago when I lived with my Grandmother, Wilmont Shelton in Orange, Texas. She was always so lovely, and so funny. My condolences to your family. God bless you 🌸*

Tricia Badeaux - January 14, 2021 at 07:22 PM



“ *Such a sweet lady and cousin. My condolences to the family.*
Paul Echols

paul Echols - January 14, 2021 at 12:34 PM



“ *Oh my! I just spoke to your Mom before Christmas! I am sure sorry to hear this sad news! My deepest sympathy to you two boys and your families. Strong memories of both your Dad and Mom. Our Mounds connections are very strong!*
Marsha Ryan Watson

Marsha Watson - January 12, 2021 at 06:37 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about your mother. I remember being with your family and watching the moon landing. Thoughts and prayers are with your family. Linda Conant Davis*

Linda Davis - January 08, 2021 at 07:27 PM

PJ

“ My daughter,Angela Jordan, wrote a story about a visit to Alta's front porch. When she was in grade school. Of course the names were changed. I don't remember many details but humming birds were included. May these kind of memories live with those she touched

Sorry for your loss.

My Mothers best friend.

Pat Fleming Jordan

Pat Jordan - January 08, 2021 at 01:56 PM

CG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. So many good memories growing up.



Carol (Miller) & Randy George - January 08, 2021 at 11:46 AM

“ This is a tribute I wrote for my Aunt Alta on her 90th birthday. At the time she told us she wanted it read at her funeral:

We all came together today to honor, on her 90th birthday , Alta Mae Taylor. Also known as the “Choir Director”. Our inside family joke.

We have all depended on Alta for help in our lives.

Every family death, Alta always opened up her home to all of us.

She always had every family get together on her front porch. I’m sure my Uncle Donnie didn’t realize what he was in for when he built it. Everyone enjoyed it and we have had a lot of laughs on that porch.

She took her father in and took care of him, taking the worry off her sisters and brother. Never complaining but wanted to do this.

When sister Carol was sick, took her to doctors and hospital time after time.

Sister Sarah Jayne had open heart surgery, Alta and Donnie drove 400 miles and stayed for weeks until her health improved enough to stay alone.

I know Shavona could not have got by raising Bentley in her younger years without Alta being there to watch her before school.

Our cousin Shelia depended on Alta to be her banker and help with her checkbook.

She was always the first to jump in and take others to doctor appointments, the store or anything they needed.

Cousin Judy wanted to ride the train when she was young, Yep, Aunt Alta took her on the train.

We have had so much fun thru the years....

I never heard Aunt Alta raise her voice in anger, except maybe the time we set all the Missouri fireworks off in front of her house. They were all illegal in Illinois and she worked at the Mayor’s Office at the time.

I’m sure all of her classmates appreciated her taking charge and organizing their class reunions for all those years.

She also donated her time to the American Cancer Society for many, many years.

I'm sure everyone here has their own stories and memories of what Alta has done for them.

If you looked up "Good Caring Person" in the Webster's dictionary it says, "feeling or showing concern for or kindness to others." It also has a picture of Alta underneath the definition!!

We all remember everything you have done for us and we are very proud to call you:

"OUR CHOIR DIRECTOR "

Aunt Alta you were an Angel on earth, I know your an Angel in Heaven now.

Rest In Peace, I Love You ❤️

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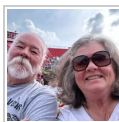
Cheryl Baimakovich - January 07, 2021 at 08:22 PM

JT

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J. Curtis Taylor - January 07, 2021 at 02:13 PM



This was such a happy day for her!

Kathy Taylor - January 07, 2021 at 02:58 PM

LM

“ *My Aunt Alta was more than an aunt to me. She was a step in mom when needed and she seemed to know exactly when to step in. I have memories I will treasure forever. She will be so missed. I loved her dearly.*

Leslie (Taylor) McMillan - January 07, 2021 at 01:38 PM