



Frances "Fran" Anne Calhoun

February 9, 1947 - December 15, 2025

IN MEMORY OF:

Frances "Fran" Anne Calhoun

Serving Location:

CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME

31 Memorial Drive, Murphysboro, Illinois

On December 15, 2025, Frances "Fran" Anne Calhoun went to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Fran was born on February 9, 1947, to Beulah Tweedy in Alto Pass, Illinois. She met her best friend and the love of her life, Wayne Calhoun, at Cobden High School, where she graduated in 1964. A few years later, on June 11, 1966, she and Wayne were united in marriage and shared nearly 60 happy years together.

Fran lived a life of servanthood. Before becoming a full-time mother, she worked as a bookkeeper for both Carbondale National Bank and Calhoun Plumbing. She then devoted herself to raising her family and serving her community. Fran was an active member of Walnut Street Baptist Church (now The Ridge), Beta Sigma Phi, the Friendship Center, and the Baptist Collegiate Ministry. She spent her life loving others, from strangers to family, just as

Jesus would.

Fran is survived by her husband: Wayne Calhoun; three children: Darrell “Derb” Calhoun, Kathryn “Kathy” Carr, and Randall “Deke” (Sarah) Calhoun; five grandchildren: Chloe Calhoun, Annie Calhoun, Kaylin Calhoun, Maggi Carr, and Arie (Kendal) Beck; and one great-granddaughter, Jordan Beck.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Joan Rider; her son-in-law, Joseph Carr; and her beloved granddog, Lacie.

“Well done, good and faithful servant...enter into the joy of your Lord.” -
Matthew 25:23

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, December 20, 2025 at 1:00 PM with Rev. Dominic Menard officiating at Crain Pleasant Grove - Murdale Funeral Home with the conclusion of the service at the funeral home. Visitation will be held prior to the service from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

Entombment will take place at Pleasant Grove Memorial Park Mausoleum.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider donating to Beta Sigma Phi, an international women’s organization Fran was very proud to serve or The Lottie Moon Mission Fund through The Ridge Church.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Grove Memorial Park Mausoleum

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 20. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (cst)

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home - Old 13
31 Memorial Dr.
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-2500
crain@crainsonline.com

Funeral Service

DEC 20. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (cst)

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Tribute Wall

NF

“ Nancy Carr & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Frances "Fran" Anne Calhoun.



Nancy Carr & Family - December 19, 2025 at 11:25 AM

RP

“ RMK Plumbing purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Frances "Fran" Anne Calhoun.



RMK Plumbing - December 19, 2025 at 10:56 AM

LW

“ Fran was a sweet, friendly, cheerful neighbor of mine for 40 years. As I walked my dogs in the early evening, I often stopped for a chat with her and Wayne. She liked my pups! My condolences to her family.

Laraine Wright - December 18, 2025 at 10:40 AM

LF

“ Love, the Croxell and Bost families purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Frances "Fran" Anne Calhoun.



Love, the Croxell and Bost families - December 17, 2025 at 04:43 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frances "Fran" Anne Calhoun.*



December 17, 2025 at 03:09 PM