



## Joyce Harrington

November 23, 1936 - December 6, 2017

Virginia Joyce Harrington passed away peacefully in her home, surrounded by her family and loved ones on December 6, 2017. Joyce was born on November 23, 1936 in Price, Kentucky, the eldest child of Gilbert and Clarice Wills.

Graduating from Ballard Memorial High, she was employed for many years and retired as a riverboat cook. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, and was completely devoted to her family.

Joyce is survived by her sons, Mike Trexler (Brooke Miller) and Jack Trexler; brother, Ron Wills; sister, Donna (JD) Martin; grandsons, David (Megan) Coats, Daniel Coats; granddaughters, Michaela Trexler, Tasha Trexler-Thompson (Mike); great-grandchildren, Dylan Coats, Harley Coats, Jaxon Coats, Mathew and Harper Thompson; cousins, Jackie Howell, Rachel Poole; and a friend who was like a son, Dale Espina; nephews, Gary (Betsy) Coats, Steven (Andrea) Coats, David Childers, Ron Wills, Jr., Tommy Wills; nieces, Cindy (Will) Andrews, Audra (Rob) Needham, Sara Wills; beloved sister-in-law's, Diane Wills, Elaine Wills, Theresa (Danny) Harrington, Sharon (Tony) Harrington; along with many beloved others.

She was preceded in death by husbands, Robert Coats, Sr., Jack Trexler, and Jerhald "Jerry" Harrington; son, Robert Coats; daughter, Susan Beth Coats;

brothers, Harry Wills, Jim Wills, and Howell Wills.

Memorial service will be held at 4:00 pm on Saturday, December 9, 2017 at Crain Funeral Home in Anna-Jonesboro with Randy Morgan and David Coats officiating. Visitation will be held from 2:00 pm until the hour of the service at the funeral home. Private inurnment will be held at a later date at Cobden City Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to P.A.W.S. and will be accepted at the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 9. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Anna  
135 W. Vienna St.  
Anna, IL 62906  
(618) 833-2176  
crain@crainsonline.com

## Memorial Service

DEC 9. 4:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Anna  
135 W. Vienna St.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Harrington*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *so sorry about Joycel knew her for years she will be missed. Dottie Williams*

**Dottie Williams** - December 09, 2017 at 08:44 PM



“ *Mike, Jack Phillip, Ron and Donna I am so sorry of the loss of your Mother and Sister. Joyce and I had a lot of good memories together. I will sure miss her. You all will be in my thoughts and prayers. Take care of you. God bless you and keep you well and safe.*



**Judy Bittle** - December 08, 2017 at 11:33 PM



“ *Cindy and Elaine purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joyce Harrington.*



**Cindy and Elaine** - December 08, 2017 at 01:23 PM

TC

“ *The Children's Advocacy Center purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joyce Harrington.*



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**The Children's Advocacy Center** - December 08, 2017 at 11:55 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joyce Harrington.*



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December 07, 2017 at 10:19 PM

DN

“ *Joyce taught me many things, not the least of which was how to show class and dignity under the worst of circumstances....She taught me how to laugh even when things were unbelievably sad...! I wish I could have one more conversation with this sweet lady...  
Deb Nash*

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**Deb Nash** - December 07, 2017 at 10:06 PM

JD

“ *Jack D. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joyce Harrington.*



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**Jack D.** - December 07, 2017 at 08:39 PM

JM

“ I will never forget the time I first met Joyce (my sister-in-law). Her sister (my wife) and I had just arrived at her and Jerry's house in Ellington. We just got to the front door and the door flew open before we could even knock. The next thing I heard was one of her most favorite greetings, "Get your fuzzy butt in here!" After a big hug and that warm welcome I could tell it was going to be a grand first visit. Between Joyce and Jerry you always felt welcome in their home or anywhere else for that matter. Wish I could be there for the service. Just know that you all are in my prayers and have been ever since we met. JD

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**JD Martin** - December 07, 2017 at 08:28 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joyce Harrington.



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December 07, 2017 at 05:55 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joyce Harrington.



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December 07, 2017 at 02:28 PM