



Marian Blakeslee Burchfield

September 18, 1934 - September 23, 2019

Marian Blakeslee Burchfield, 85, of Seymour, TN and formerly of Benton Harbor, passed away on September 23, 2019. She was born in Benton Harbor, Michigan, the daughter of Edwin and Dorothy (Allerton) Blakeslee. She was a graduate of the University of Michigan.

Marian taught seventh grade math and science at Doyle Middle School in Knoxville, TN where her students respectfully referred to her as “the General.” Upon retiring, she was actively involved with the Ossoli Circle and the Tennessee garden clubs. She also passionately followed her Michigan Wolverines and the Lady Vols

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She is survived by the love of her life, Jack Burchfield formerly of St. Joseph. They were married for 62 years. She is also survived by her daughters, Beth (Gary) Kern and Cathy (Bert) Wall as well as her son, Ed (Shelley) Burchfield. Also surviving are seven grandchildren and one great child. She is also survived by a brother, Ed (Dee) Blakeslee and sister, Beth Higgins. Sisters, Anne (Bob) Frank and Barbara Anne Blakeslee, predeceased her.

We were all privates in the General’s army and will miss her dearly.

Services celebrating her life will be held at 11 AM on Monday, Sept 30, at the Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in Benton Township. Burial will

follow in Riverview Cemetery. The visitation will be held from 10 AM to 11 AM on Monday at the Fairplain Chapel. Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to Ramsey House, 2614 Thorn Grove Pike, Knoxville, TN 37914 or Fernwood Botanical Gardens, 13988 Range Line Road, Niles, MI. 49120. Please share memories, messages or photos at www.florin.net.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service
1053 East Napier Avenue
Benton Harbor, MI 49022
(269) 926-7222
staff@florin.net

Services Celebrating Her Life

SEP 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

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1053 East Napier Avenue
Benton Harbor, MI 49022
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Burial

SEP 30. 12:15 PM (ET)

Riverview Cemetery
2925 Niles Rd
Saint Joseph, MI 49085
rvcemetery@parrett.net
<http://www.sjcity.com/services/riverview.phtml>

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marian Blakeslee Burchfield.* ”



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