

Butala Funeral Home & Crematory

Faye Ann Anderson

(October 26, 1934 - September 07, 2018)

GENOA, IL

Faye Ann (Batman) Anderson, 83, of Genoa, IL passed away on Friday, September 7, 2018 at the Bethany Health Center in DeKalb, IL.



Faye Ann was born to Frank Allen and Olive Lucille (Johnson) Batman on October 26, 1934 at her grandmother's home in Story City, IA. Her early childhood was spent in Chicago, IL before moving back to Story City where she spent the majority of her youth. Faye Ann graduated from Story City High School in 1952 and began secretarial work for businesses in the area. She met her future husband while on the job in Roland and said she knew she would marry him from the moment they met. On July 31, 1955, she married Wallace Charles Anderson, Jr. in Story City, IA. They settled in nearby Roland, IA and began their family there. In 1973, they moved to Genoa, IL and have resided there since. They celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary this summer.

Faye Ann had several passions which shaped her life. She was an avid reader and loved learning, stating life was never boring if you stayed curious. Her love of family and history merged in her pursuit of genealogy, uncovering and piecing together stories of ancestors and sharing them with joy. She loved nature and found enjoyment in feeding and identifying the types of birds at her feeders and marveled at every flower and tree in her garden. She loved people and always saw the best in them no matter the circumstance. Her optimism and positive outlook were contagious as she taught and demonstrated the value of concentrating on blessings, not hardships.

But it was Faye Ann's passion for children that best define her. During her life, she dedicated herself to being the best mother, grandmother, Sunday School teacher, scout leader, or school volunteer she could be. She ran a home day care for 30 years and considered the children she cared for as part of her family, often maintaining friendships with them even as they grew into adults. Her children, as well as those of others, were the priority of her time and efforts. All were loved and she made sure they knew that.

Faye Ann is survived by her husband, Wallace Anderson, of Genoa, IL; her children Brian (Jan) Anderson of Granger, IA; Brad (Kelly) Anderson

of Libertyville, IL; Beth (Con) Blake of Viroqua, WI; Barbara (Tony) Benzinger of Genoa, IL; ten grandchildren, Erik Anderson, Claire (Brandon) Schnier; Matt (Ari) Anderson, Tim (Courtney) Anderson, Abbie (Lucas) Hansen, Kate Anderson; Will and Alice Blake; Steven and Scott Benzinger; one brother Larry (Koleen) Batman, and sisters Carolyn (Bill) Watson, Pam (Dale) Kuehl and Becky Batman.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 33930 N. State Rd. in Genoa on Saturday, September 15th, 2018 at 2:00 PM. Visitation with the family will be from 12:00-2:00 PM at the Church. A private burial will be held in Iowa at a later date. A time for fellowship with the family will follow the service at the Church.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to the Genoa Trinity Lutheran Church youth programs in care of the Slater-Butala Funeral Home, 132 W. Main St., Genoa, IL. 60135. To sign the online guest book, go to www.ButalaFuneralHomes.com