



Joan Farris

Cottage Hills | Wednesday, January 19 2022

Joan O. Farris, 82, of Cottage Hills, passed away on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at 6:32 am at Alton Memorial Hospital while under the care of BJC Hospice.

She was born on September 20, 1939, in Belleville, IL, the daughter of Olen L. and Elaine (Diercks) Hargis. She married James A. Farris on January 9, 1963, in Crawfordsville, IN. He preceded her in death on March 31, 1983.

Joan received her nursing degree from Lutheran School of Nursing, St. Louis, MO in February of 1959. She was a dedicated ICU nurse at Alton Memorial Hospital and St. Anthony's Health Center. In addition to spending time with her family, she enjoyed painting and traveling and was an exceptional seamstress. She was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church in Cottage Hills, where she served on the Ladies Aide Association.



Joan is survived by her two daughters, Joann Mills and Jolene Cole, both of Cottage Hills; four siblings, Barbara (Karl) Bretz of Mascoutah, IL, Miriam (Ken) Poston of Ruma, IL, Lorna (Ron) VonTalge of Alhambra, IL, and Lawrence (Nancy) Hargis of Sparta, IL; three grandchildren, Jessica (Nathan Davenport) Mills, Jana Mills, and Alexander Cole; and two great-grandchildren, Oliver and Rey.

Along with her parents and husband, James, she was preceded in death by a son, Jonathan Farris; a sister, Sarah Thompson; a brother, Charles Hargis; and a nephew, Robert Bretz.

Per her wishes, cremation rites will be accorded, and no services will be held at this time. Elias, Kallal and Schaaf Funeral Home in Bethalto is in charge of arrangements. Memorials can be made to BJC Hospice.

Online condolences and guest book may be found at www.kallalandschaaf.com