



Frances Pomeroy Holdaway

January 5, 1925 - March 29, 2016

Frances Pomeroy Holdaway, 91, of Indianapolis passed away March 29, 2016. She was born January 5, 1925 in Indianapolis to the late Glenn and Ester McCauley Pomeroy. Frances graduated from Tech High School and worked as a secretary for Methodist Hospital for many years. She was a member of Old Bethel United Methodist Church and the Spinners Club. Frances was also a hostess for the Italian Gardens and she enjoyed line dancing, bowling, traveling, and spending time with her family.

Visitation will be today, Thursday, March 31, 2016 from 12 noon until the time of service at 2:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St.

Frances is survived by her children, Charles F. "Chuck" Holdaway (Stephanie), Ronald Steven "Steve" Holdaway (Mit), Carol McClarnon (Mike), Cheri Kinz (Kevin), Cindy Leffel (Jim), Cathy Furgerson; cousin, Jean Giesecking; best friend, Lois Ann Maish; 14 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 61 years, Charles Holdaway; brother, Bob Pomeroy; sisters, Elizabeth Wilson, Elise Kinnick, Louise Petty; grandson, Andy Turner; and granddaughter, Kelly Turner.

Memorial contributions may be made to the ALS Association of Indiana.

Cemetery Details

Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

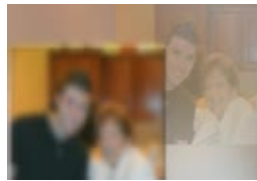
MAR 31. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - March 31, 2016 at 11:14 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of *Frances Pomeroy Holdaway*.



March 31, 2016 at 10:34 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Frances Pomeroy Holdaway*.



March 31, 2016 at 09:54 AM

MB

“ I was so sorry to hear of Fran's passing. I remember one time when she was taking us to the Riveria Club to swim. As we were driving down the street, we came across some road construction where cones were set up. She laughed and said, "Hey girls, how many these cones do you think we can knock down?" Since that was probably 50 years ago, I can't remember if she actually did it. I will be praying for you all. Mary Lynn (Fisse) Burrows

Mary Lynn Burrows - March 30, 2016 at 09:23 PM

MH

My name is Mary Todd Harmeson. When I was 15 years old and older I babysat for Francie and Charley. First in Woodruff place, then on 10th St in 1/2s of doubles and later at a home they bought and were working on. They only had Butch and Stevie at the time. I am sure the experience I had caring for them helped me to be able to raise my two sons. They were very active boys and one of them liked to run away. At one time my parents were helping me search Woodruff Place for him. Later on 10th St. I had fed them dinner and was cleaning up the kitchen when they emptied the salt shaker on the coffee table and rolled their apples in it to season them. Again - one of them ran away. They were tuff to handle. Very active. When my boyfriend and I were caring for them-we were playing ping pong in the basement as they played around the table. Lumber for Charley's project was piled nearby and one jumped on it and a piece caught me under the chin like a seasaw and I saw stars. Bob grabbed both of them under each arm and marched up stairs and put them on their twin beds. I don't remember babysitting for them after that.

Years after that I sat in Ayres Tea Room with my Aunt and in the booth next to us - divided only by a small partition-two ladies were discussing Butch and Stevie. I asked them if it was Holdaway and they said it was. I think they were relatives. I got the job watching you as I went to school with Virginia Wilson Basham-your cousin. She worked in her dad's ice cream shop on Michigan or New York. I saw her in the 60's but lost track of her. Your Mom and Dad had an active social life going to sporting events downtown at that time. I often sat from noon until midnight - It gave me many memories to cherish.

Mary Todd Harmeson - March 31, 2016 at 08:41 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frances Pomeroy Holdaway.*



March 30, 2016 at 08:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Frances Pomeroy Holdaway.*



March 30, 2016 at 12:41 PM