



Frances Washburn

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Frances E. Washburn, 86, of Vandalia, IL, passed away peacefully on Monday, May 26, 2025 at SBL Fayette County Hospital Long Term Care.

A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 AM, Friday, May 30, 2025 at Hohlt & File Funeral Home, Vandalia with Rev. John Heicher officiating. Interment will follow in Fairlawn Cemetery, Vandalia. Visitation will be held from 5:00-7:00 PM, Thursday, May 29, 2025 at Hohlt & File Funeral Home, Vandalia and one hour prior to services on Friday. In lieu of flowers and gifts memorials may be made to the Lighthouse Pregnancy Center. Online condolences can be expressed at www.hohltandfilefh.com

Frances Elaine Willms was born on May 28, 1938 in rural Brownstown, IL, the daughter of Harry E. and Fanny (Oberlink) Willms. She married the love of her life, James Ronald “Ron” Washburn on January 31, 1959. Together, they celebrated 66 years of marriage and raised two sons.

Frances was employed by the family business, Mid-State Camper Sales, as a bookkeeper for 56 years. She attended Trinity Chapel, rural St. Elmo (Post Oak). Frances enjoyed baking, reading, giving to others, and most of all, she cherished the time spent with her family, especially her grandchildren.

She will forever be remembered by her husband, Ron Washburn of Vandalia; sons, Kevin Washburn and wife Tami and Scott Washburn and wife Karen, both of Vandalia; sister, Mary Katherine “Toots” Ellicott of Morrison; grandchildren, Jacob, Cristian, and Micael; great-grandchildren, Hudson and Layla; extended family and friends.

Mrs. Washburn was preceded in death by her parents and brothers, Gerald Willms, Frederick Willms Sr., and H. Donald Willms.






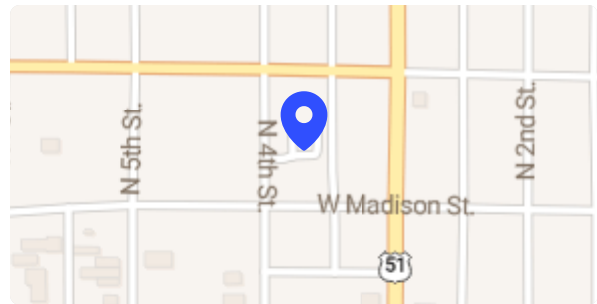
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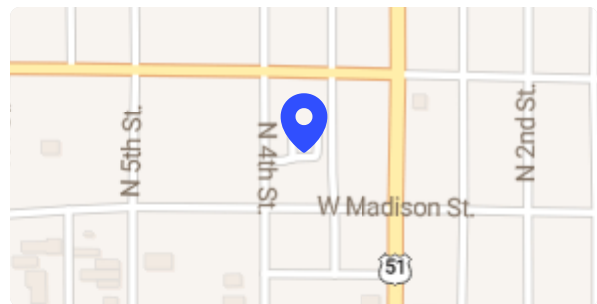
Visitation

-  **Thursday**, May 29, 2025
-  5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
-  **Hohlt & File Funeral Home, Ltd.**
204 N 4th Street, Vandalia IL 62471






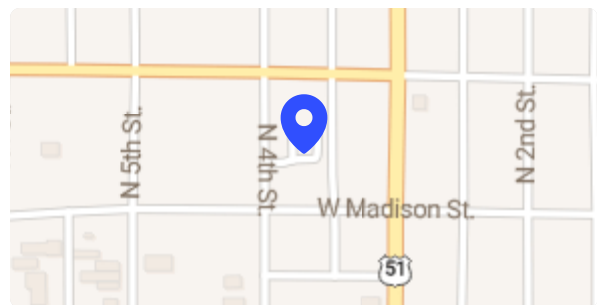
Visitation

-  **Friday**, May 30, 2025
-  10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT
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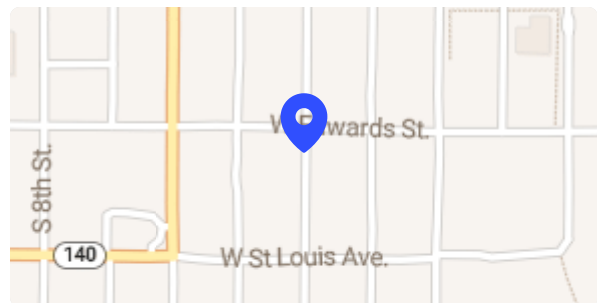
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Cemetery Details

-  **Fairlawn Cemetery**
South 6th St, Vandalia IL 62471





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Marni Willms lit a candle in honor of Frances.

Uncle Ron, Kevin, Scott, and families... I am sorry to hear of Aunt Francie's passing. I have such fond memories of her when we lived in the old house across the street from the family business (before Kevin and Tami built their beautiful place). I can hear her voice in my head. My vague memories of Granny Fanny remind me so much of Francie's voice, appearance, and mannerisms. Such a beautiful soul. I know she will be missed immensely by all whose lives she touched. Sending love to you all.



May 29 at 5:30 AM



Anne & Andy White lit a candle in honor of Frances.



May 28 at 5:42 AM



Jim Sherri Dagen posted:

We are so very sorry to hear that Frances has passed. She will forever be remembered as a beautiful and kind soul. Very giving and loving. May our prayers be with your entire family!

May 27 at 1:48 PM



Anonymous sent a Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray to the Washburn family.



May 27 at 1:43 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Frances.



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Grayland And Connie Bolyard posted:

So very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sorrow. She was a very giving, kind, soft spoken lady. She will be missed by everyone that knew her.

May 27 at 1:30 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Frances by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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