



## Iris Faye Henderson

September 18, 1932 - September 7, 2024

Iris Faye Henderson went home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the morning of September 7, 2024. The daughter of the late Clyde Horace Franks and Esther Grace Farmer Franks, Iris was born in Perry County, Kentucky, on September 18, 1932.

Iris was predeceased by her husband James Eugene Henderson whom she married June 1, 1957. She was also predeceased by an infant son, Joel, brothers Robert Kenneth and Ronald Wayne Franks, sisters-in-law, Juanita Franks and Nancy Bland, grandsons Michael Henderson and Yousef Moradi.

Iris is survived by her sons James Eugene (Elisabeth) and Jon Franks (Audrey), granddaughters Jaclyn (William) Booze, Jaynell (James) Bonham, Jeanna (Jonathan) Kasel, June Mondae (Kory) Christman, Alexandria and Brittani, grandsons Jon Franks (Danielle), and Steven (Nicole), great granddaughters, Isabelle, Lillian Iris, Elena, Penelope and great grandsons, James "Jimmy", James "Jamie", Peter, Tucker, Samuel, Jacob, Jovanni, Myles and Jon Franks III "Jack".

Iris received her Bachelor of Education degree from Carson Newman College in Jefferson City, Tennessee where she met her husband. Following graduation from Carson Newman College, Iris received her master's degree in early childhood education from the University of Tennessee.

Iris, a lifelong teacher, taught in many public schools as well as was the founder of several day care centers including Mrs. Henderson's Day Care Center in Columbus, Ohio and Wee Cherish Day Care Center. Iris had a

vision for day care for children in a home setting for full time working mothers. She pioneered an inclusive model of an early educational environment where children of all heritages and intellectual abilities were welcomed, nurtured and taught to read.

The family wishes to thank those caregivers who were also very special friends, Sarah Bates, Mary Feldner, Marie Cutlip and the very caring staff at the Embassy of Cambridge who Iris loved.

The family invites everyone who wishes to honor Iris' memory to join us Saturday, September 28, 2024, at the Wee Cherish Childcare Center at 60724 Southgate Road, Byesville, Ohio, for a Memorial Open House from 1 PM to 6 PM. A private internment service will be held for the family.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing." 2 Timothy 4:7-8

## Cemetery Details

**At a later date**

## Previous Events

### **Memorial Service**

SEP **28**. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Wee Cherish Childcare Center  
60724 Southgate Road  
Byesville, OH 43723

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ 1 file added to the album *Iris*



**Jaynell Bonham** - October 03, 2024 at 05:10 PM

JM

“ *Joanna Miller purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Iris Faye Henderson.*



**Joanna Miller** - September 26, 2024 at 05:30 PM

TF

“ *The Bell Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Iris Faye Henderson.*



**The Bell Family** - September 23, 2024 at 09:30 PM

EM

“ *Eric, Winnie and Dick McFarland planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Iris Faye Henderson.*

**Eric, Winnie and Dick McFarland** - September 23, 2024 at 02:28 PM

EM

“ Eric, Winnie and Dick McFarland purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Iris Faye Henderson.



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**Eric, Winnie and Dick McFarland** - September 23, 2024 at 02:28 PM

QM

“ Sorry for all her friends and family. She was an awesome lady and one of a kind.

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**Quentin McCance** - September 22, 2024 at 02:40 PM

ST

“ May you carry your memories deep in your hearts. Our deepest condolences at this tough time to all of Iris's wonderful family, Jay and Lisa, John and Audrey and their children and grandchildren. We will always remember Iris and her kindness. Steve and Annette Tomplait and family.

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**Steve and Annette Tomplait** - September 18, 2024 at 05:33 PM

KR

“ Jay and Jon and families... Sorry for your loss. Iris was always so kind and sweet. Prayers of comfort are with you all.

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**Kerri Leonard Rhinehart** - September 11, 2024 at 09:44 PM

LT

“ Our most sincere condolences; she will b greatly missed. Leslie Tilton and Josselyn, Jade, & Jorden West; Allie Thomas

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**Leslie Tilton** - September 11, 2024 at 08:59 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Iris Faye Henderson.*



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September 11, 2024 at 08:33 AM



“ *With Love, Friendship Baptist Church planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Iris Faye Henderson.*

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**With Love, Friendship Baptist Church** - September 11, 2024 at 08:33 AM



“ *Mrs. Iris taught me how to read and write. She taught me about Jesus. She gave me the best advice. She was there for my family and so much more. She mentored me in many ways. Condolences to her family and loved ones ❤️. I will cherish her in my heart forever she is one of my role models.*



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**Nicole Elston** - September 10, 2024 at 07:28 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss  
Jim and Paula Bakos*

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**Paula Bakos** - September 10, 2024 at 04:09 PM