



Phyllis Faye Blackburn

February 3, 1932 - January 18, 2018

Phyllis Faye (Jordan) Blackburn, age 85, passed away January 18, 2018 at Creasy Springs, Lafayette, Indiana. Phyllis was born February 3, 1932 in Jasper County, Indiana, the daughter of Elvin Russell and Helen Elizabeth (Rishling) Jordan. She was raised on the farm with her four sisters.

Phyllis attended the Jordan Township and Hanging Grove Township schools in Jasper County and the Rensselaer High School through her sophomore year. She moved to Monon for her junior and senior year, graduating with the Class of 1950 from Monon High School. Following high school Phyllis attended Midwestern Airline School in Kansas City, Missouri and became an airline teletype reservationists. She worked for both Eastern Airline in Louisville, Kentucky and United Airline in Denver, Colorado. On June 21, 1951, Phyllis married John Howard Blackburn. Phyllis and John enjoyed the years of living on the farm in Hanging Grove Township, near Francesville, Indiana. They moved to Monon, Indiana after retiring from farming. John passed away October 6, 2010. Phyllis was a member of the Saint Frances Solono Catholic Church in Francesville and the Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Reynolds, Indiana. Phyllis was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She helped her husband by working on the farm and enjoyed cooking for her family and the many farm hands. Phyllis was active in her children's activities at school and 4-H, also working outside the home for many years. Surviving Phyllis are her loving children, Christine (Gregory) Odom, Francesville, IN, Dean (Patty) Blackburn, Crown Point, IN, Bridget LaFree and Angie (Mark) Lawrence, both

of Rensselaer, IN, and John Jr. (Rebecca) Blackburn of Francesville, IN; 11 grandchildren, Bryan (Laura) Odom, Samuel (Katie) Odom, Jeffrey (Kelly) Odom, Kateland Blackburn, Ashley Lawrence, Mark Lawrence, Cory St. Clair, Rena Johnson, Gretchen Blackburn, Clarissa Blackburn and Avery Blackburn, several great-grandchildren and a sister, Shirley Ellis, Monticello, IN. Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, her husband John Blackburn, Sr., a granddaughter, Mandi Blackburn, three sisters, Irma Lowry, JoAnn Cochran and Barbara Wilcox, and four brothers-in-law, Emmett Lowry, Paul Cochran, Robert Wilcox and Hye Ellis. Per Phyllis' request all services were private. The Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer was honored to assist the family.

Tribute Wall

NB

“ *Many great memories at fair with the Blackburn family. My heart goes out to you all. On behalf of the John Amsler & Family.*
Nicole(Amsler) Bufkin



Nicole Bufkin - March 15, 2018 at 01:06 AM

TB

“ *Angie I'm so very sorry...deepest condolences on the loss of your dear mother~*



Tammy Bottoms - January 25, 2018 at 09:51 PM

CM

“ *Chuck And Jackie Malchow lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Faye Blackburn*



Chuck and Jackie Malchow - January 25, 2018 at 05:50 PM

TW

“ I have many fond memories of being on the farm. Memories of fun family dinners, your fresh sweet corn, the smell of the water and iron stain in the bathroom sink, sleeping in the feather bed upstairs, visiting with you at the state fair, the graduation and wedding parties, riding the ponies and much more. You are much loved by your children and extended family. You will be missed and will always be in my prayers and heart. May you rest in peace and rejoice in God's kingdom.

My heart felt condolences to Angie, Bridget, Dean and your families. Love and miss you all.

Tess Wulsin - January 24, 2018 at 07:56 PM

RR

“ Ron & Vicki Robinson lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Faye Blackburn



Ron & Vicki Robinson - January 24, 2018 at 11:03 AM

NM

*Bridget and Angie,
So very sorry to hear about the loss of your dear Mother. Sending you both Prayers.*

Nick and Tricia Mattocks - January 24, 2018 at 06:24 PM

KD

“ *My sympathy and prayers for the Blackburn family.
May God bless you all.*



Kevin Diener - January 24, 2018 at 05:01 AM

PS

“ *My condolences to the family from pam Spangle and family*



pam jordan spangle - January 23, 2018 at 09:24 PM

JF

“ *Judy Siegrist & Family lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Faye Blackburn*



Judy Siegrist & family - January 23, 2018 at 09:03 PM

JB

“ *Judy Burvan lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Faye Blackburn*



Judy Burvan - January 23, 2018 at 08:11 PM

DW

“ *Our sincere sympathy to all of you.*



Don & Gloria Waymouth - January 23, 2018 at 06:47 PM

NS

“ *Deeply sorry to hear of your loss,, Have known Phyllis for years.
God Bless.. From Sugar*

Norma (Sugar) Schultz - January 23, 2018 at 05:26 PM

MB

“ *Dean,

So sorry for your loss.

Myles*



Myles Beeching - January 23, 2018 at 05:13 PM

NK

“ *Noreen Kerns lit a candle in memory of
Phyllis Faye Blackburn*



Noreen Kerns - January 23, 2018 at 04:31 PM

NK

Our sympathy and prayers to all of you , Phyllis was such a joy to our lives .

Noreen Kerns - January 23, 2018 at 04:34 PM

KP

“*Kristina Phillips lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Faye Blackburn*



Kristina Phillips - January 23, 2018 at 01:57 PM

KP

Bridget and Angie you both look like your mom. May she rest in peace. You had the best of the best

Kristina Phillips - January 23, 2018 at 01:58 PM

NJ

Bridget so sorry to hear. Sending prayers to you and your family.

Nancy Justice - January 23, 2018 at 03:38 PM

MS

Dean, my prayers & sympathy. It's been a very long time!

Mary Ann (Walter) Stockberger - January 23, 2018 at 03:57 PM

SE

I remember Phyllis as my sister, but also my close friend. I remember the good times we had putting up sweet corn and the get togethers we had, Phyllis was the particular in every thing she did. She drove the tractor, mild cows and clean house on Saturdays. We had a horse Dad bought at Uncle John Jordan. We rode it down to the corner and he would run back. memories were great even for no boys around , but while Dad was in the field , our job was doing the chores. I will sure miss you . Love you your little sister

Shirley Ellis - January 23, 2018 at 09:59 PM

SE

Oh yes after she finished cleaning on sat , she went to the garden to pick flowers for the coffee table, always

Shirley Ellis - January 23, 2018 at 10:53 PM

PK

Our deepest sympathy to the family. We were on the same crew at the Knights of Columbus fish fry once a month on Friday night. Phyllis and John made fun out of work for us. We had a lot of laughs...always so happy. God Bless you all. Good memories

Pat and Chuck Kohley

Patricia Kohley - January 24, 2018 at 07:21 AM

LP

So many great memories of Aunt Phyllis when we came out to visit on the farm. She always used to bring in the electric heater for us to warm up the bathroom before our baths. Wow, remember how much fun we had out back in your swimming pool? I also remember her sending us upstairs to take a nap 😞 it never happened. When my Mom was in her final days Aunt Phyllis came over & sat next to her and just talked. I'm sure Mom heard every word she said. It was so precious. We will all miss her dearly.

Linda Pugh

Linda Pugh - January 24, 2018 at 08:17 PM