



Verna Marie Gockley Hertzler

August 22, 1937 - August 21, 2024

Verna Marie Gockley Hertzler passed away in Sarasota, Florida on August 21st 2024. She was born in Strasburg, Pennsylvania on August 22nd 1937 and made the move to Florida in 1961.

Verna was a labor and delivery charge nurse at Sarasota Memorial Hospital from 1961 to 1978. She was a faithful member of Sarasota Community Church, and in her free time loved to travel. She traveled so much, she made a visit to 43 different countries. She also had an artistic side and loved to decorate.

Verna is preceded in death by her parents Alfred and Mary Sweigart; siblings Marian Riehl, Parke; and former husband Charles Gockley.

Left to cherish her memory are husband Dwight Hertzler, children Jeff Gockley and his wife Nikki, Cindy Augsburger; grandchildren Kristin, Alex, Sydney; great grandchildren Levi, Silas, and Jocelynn.

Should friends desire, contributions may be made in memory of Verna to Lakewood Retreat, Brooksville, Florida, a ministry that she always loved and supported.

A Celebration of Life service will be held Saturday, September 7th at 10:30

a.m. at Sarasota Community Church, 4041 Bahia Vista Street, Sarasota, FL 34232.

Memories and condolences may be left for the family at www.MFHcares.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP 7. 10:30 AM (ET)

Sarasota Community Church
4041 Bahia Vista Street
Sarasota
Sarasota, FL 34232

Tribute Wall

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“ Love and prayers to all. Ms. Verna will be missed.
Jeffrey and daughter Alyssa Harris

Jeffrey C Harris - September 03, 2024 at 04:03 PM

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“ Verna was such a special lady. She was a wonderful "mom" to our daughter in Sarasota. Nikki is married to Verna's son Jeff Gockley. We were always so happy they were close to keep up the daily events with Dwight & Verna as well as the special occasions. She always extended invitations to us to join the family for Thanksgiving, Christmas and birthday happenings. We loved her and were sad when she began to not feel well. She now has no pain and is blessed to be with our heavenly Father. We pray for the family and all her friends knowing we all will miss her. Wishing comfort for all now and in the coming days and the hope of cherished memories that will bring some peace.
Blessings, Michael & Barbara Heaton



Michael P. Heaton Barbara F. Heaton - September 03, 2024 at 03:54 PM