



Earla M Blessman

June 13, 1942 - March 6, 2026

Earla M. Blessman, 83, of Bath, passed away at St. John's Hospital, in Springfield, at 6:43 p.m., on Friday, March 6, 2026. She was born June 13, 1942, in Saidora, to Richard and Leiura (Lippert) Friend. She married Larry Blessman, in Ashland, Illinois, on July 21, 2007 He preceded her in death in 2016.

Mrs. Blessman is survived by one sister: Arveda (Howard) Friend-Pence, of Lincoln; one brother: Duane (Gail) Friend, of Jacksonville; sister-in-law: Bonnie Friend, of San Jose; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, sister: Donna Thompson, and brother: David Friend.

Mrs. Blessman was of the Methodist faith. She worked for J. Capps & Sons Clothing in Jacksonville, AgRain, Dana-Victor, and Illinois Glove Factory, in Beardstown. She was an avid artist who loved to paint. She painted outdoor scenes on saw blades and customized Christmas cards. She also enjoyed being outdoors and mowing in the summertime. For her whole life, she had taken in and cared for her cats.

Funeral services will be held at Hurley Funeral Home, in Havana, at Noon, on Saturday, March 14, 2026, with visitation one hour prior to the services. Burial will follow the services at Fairview Cemetery, near Bath.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pets Without Parents. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home, in Havana, is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

3900 County Road 800 E
Chandlerville, IL 62627

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

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Tribute Wall

BF

“ *Belle Fletcher-Reed lit a candle in memory of Earla Blessman*



Belle Fletcher-Reed - March 13 at 02:19 PM

RM

“ *Prayers for the family in their hour of loss.*



Russ and Nancy Miller - March 12 at 02:11 PM

DH

“ *I met Earla at my salon in Kilbourne. Such a nice lady and so talented. Her hand painted cards are just beautiful! I have several year's Christmas cards and they are so lovely, I have them framed and displayed all year. I will always cherish them. So sorry for your loss.*

Dona Hudgins

Dona Hudgins - March 12 at 09:15 AM

CS

“ *Craig Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of Earla Blessman*



Craig Schaeffer - March 12 at 01:06 AM

CH

“ *Cheryl Hahn lit a candle in memory of Earla Blessman*



Cheryl Hahn - March 11 at 07:24 PM

CK

“ *Prayers to the family. We rode the tomato picker at the Blessman Farm some 40 yr ago. What's great lady to know. So sorry for your loss.*

Carol Fisk Kolves - March 11 at 04:45 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Earla M Blessman.*



March 11 at 03:42 PM

LH

“ *Larry and Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Earla Blessman*



Larry and Mary Hundt - March 11 at 08:16 AM

JT

“ *Prayers and condolences to the family.*

jennifer Bryant Trimpe - March 10 at 11:49 PM