



Frances E. Fink

August 12, 1918 - September 7, 2014

CEDAR FALLS- Frances E. Fink, 96, of Cedar Falls, died Sunday, September 07, 2014 at the Western Home Communities-Windhaven in Cedar Falls.

She was born August 12, 1918, in Seattle, WA, the daughter of Harvey and Florence Vaughn Baird. She married Robert D. Fink February 23, 1946, in Cedar Falls. He died January 14, 2007.

Fran graduated from Cedar Falls High School in 1936, attended Iowa State Teachers College (UNI) and graduated from Monmouth College in 1942 in Monmouth, IL. She worked at IBM from 1942-1946 in Systems Services. Fran was a member of P.E.O. Chapter KL, Tuesday Club, active member of the church where she taught Sunday School and served as a Docent at the Hearst Center for the Arts.

Survived by: two sons, Douglas (Ruthena) of St. Paul, MN and David (Susan) of St. Louis Park, MN; four granddaughters, Angela (Gabriel) Guererro, Amelia Fink, Kaia Fink, and Mara (Garrett) Klein, and great grandson, Gavin Guererro.

Preceded by: one sister, Aleta Hayworth and granddaughter, Alicia Fink.

Services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Friday, September 12, 2014 at the First United Methodist Church, with interment in the Greenwood Cemetery, both in Cedar Falls. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Richardson Funeral Service. Memorial contributions may be directed to: the church or Western Home Foundation. Online condolences may be left at www.richardsonfuneralservice.com

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

the end of College St, north of First Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 273-8628

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)


Richardson Funeral Service
615 Main Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 266-3525
richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

Funeral Service

SEP 12. 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
718 Clay Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
<http://aboutfirst.com>

Tribute Wall

 Cathy
Craig

“ *Lovely, meaningful service for your mother. I love this and thought of you.*

*I am standing upon the seashore
A ship at my side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze
and starts for the blue ocean.*

*She is an object of beauty and strength,
and I stand and watch until at last she hangs
like a speck of white cloud
just where the sea and sky come down to mingle with each other.
Then someone at my side says,
"There she goes!"*

Gone where?

Gone from my sight ...that is all.

*She is just as large in mast and hull and spar
as she was when she left my side
and just as able to bear her load of living freight
to the place of destination.*

Her diminished size is in me, not in her.

*And just at the moment
when someone at my side says,
"There she goes!"
there are other eyes watching her coming...
and other voices ready to take up the glad shout...*

"Here she comes!"

Cathy (Carlson) Craig

Cathy Craig - September 13, 2014 at 08:23 AM

ED

“*Dave and Doug, I was so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. Your mom was a wonderful lady, she was always welcoming to me & made me feel comfortable in your home, during our car pool days (in our teens) or just hanging out at your home. I was always fond of your mom (and father), made a great impact on me. I know her passing will leave a great void for your family, I know you will always cherish special memories of her. I do. My deepest sympathy, Eldon Duneman*

Eldon Duneman - September 11, 2014 at 09:10 AM

BV

“*Doug and David: I just returned to my home in Richmond, VA from Cedar Falls for my 55th HS reunion. Ironically, your Mom's notice was published the day before I left. It was just 5 years ago that I spent lunch with Nancy Redfern, Dee Voorhees and Fran at my 50th reunion. We had delightful conversations reminiscing of our family times together. I believe that she was the last of the couples club. She always made folks seem comfortable in her presence and that quality will be missed by many.*

I am happy that she was able to keep her alertness and was able to enjoy your families.

My best to you and accept my deep condolences from a long time Fink family friend.

*Bill Voorhees
Richmond, VA.*

Bill Voorhees - September 10, 2014 at 02:15 PM

JS

“ Dear Fink Family,
I celebrate with you the life of a beautiful woman Frannie Fink. My Nana and Papa (Helga and Terry Olin) loved Bob and Fran. They were such a beautiful example of love, commitment and friendship. I remembering hearing of all the good times they had golfing, playing bridge and going out of the river on the ponton. Frannie was such a beautiful woman inside and out. My condolences and sympathy are with you as your remember and celebrate her life.
Jayne (Luhring) Spear

jayne spear - September 10, 2014 at 01:09 PM

AR

“ Doug and Dave,

Our dear and wonderful parents are now together again. I so loved both of your parents. They were like Godparents to me. I feel blessed I had some quality time with Fran less than two weeks ago. We had such a good talk and I also sat with her in the dining room while she had lunch. We laughed but also were emotional before I left because we both knew it would probably be the last time we would see each other. I have such fond memories growing up in Cedar Falls and our parents friendship and the fun family times we all had together.

Love and comfort to you both and your wonderful families!

Love, Anne Louise Redfern (known to Bob and Fran as Annabella)

Anne Redfern - September 10, 2014 at 11:18 AM

JR

“ Dear Dave and Doug and families,
Fran was a wonderful lady. She always looked beautiful and always had nice things to say, making a person feel very comfortable in her presence. She and your dad were dear friends of my parents, Ruth and Jim Ryan. I know my mom cared about your mom very much, and spoke about her often. They are all in heaven now, perhaps taking up a game of bridge or sharing a casserole. May the happy memories sustain you, and I hope you find joy in celebrating her life.
Sincerely,
Jane Ryan

Jane Ryan - September 10, 2014 at 01:06 AM

SB

“ Dear Fink family,
Your Mother was a lovely woman! My husband walked into her apartment at WH a few times and she was so gracious about it. I certainly appreciated her kindness toward him. It was fun to take her flower shopping and the residents enjoyed the beautiful displays. You can celebrate her long life and reflect on wonderful memories.

Suzan Bienfang
Grundy Center

Suzan Bienfang - September 09, 2014 at 10:25 PM

GA

“ They say behind every great man there is a great woman. Fran was a great woman. Pat and I are sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you.

Gale and Pat Bonsall

gale - September 09, 2014 at 09:53 PM

MD

“ Dave and family, sorry to read about your loss.

Marty Dorfman - September 09, 2014 at 08:03 PM

CS

“ Cary & Chris Short purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Frances E. Fink.



Cary & Chris Short - September 09, 2014 at 06:56 PM

PG

“ Please accept our sincere condolences for the loss of your loved one. Jesus promises that we will be able to see our loved ones again at John 5:28,29 which talks about the resurrection hope. What a wonderful hope that will be! May this bible thought bring you comfort at this difficult time.

Peggy Gienau - September 08, 2014 at 01:38 PM