



Grace Spates

January 15, 1929 - November 16, 2024

Grace Lyons entered the world on a chilly Tuesday, January 15, 1929, in the city of Chicago, Illinois. She was the eldest of three children born to her loving parents, the late Henry Lyons and Sallie Fannie Comer.

She grew up on the east side of Gary, Indiana, alongside her two siblings, Henrietta Lyons and Henry Lyons Jr. Her father owned a restaurant called Cadillac Grill in East Chicago, where Grace and her sister both worked.

Grace was also a loyal employee and retired from Lake County convalescent home after 20 years of service in 1990. After retiring, Grace couldn't sit still and started working at the Gary Neighborhood as a cook and serving the community.

Grace will be remembered as a faithful woman of God, loving Mom, Aunt, Granny, Great-Grandmother, Great-Great Grandmother, cousin and dearest friend.

Grace was called to heaven early in the morning on Saturday, November 16th at home in her bed. During her last days she was surrounded by family and consistently reminded us of the importance of family, and to always keep God first. She is preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Sally Lyons, siblings Henrietta Jones and Henry Lyons Jr., niece Janet Jones, nephew Dale Lyons,

great-grandniece Jasmyn Roberts, great-grandnephew Carter Worthman, and her husband of 45 years, Robert "Top Cat" Spates.

Grace leaves behind cherished memories with her bonus daughter Joyce (Lawrence) McNutt of Brooklyn Park, MN, niece Bonita Worthman of Tucson, AZ, nephew Darnell (Johnnie Mae) Walker of Gary, IN, four grandchildren- JaCory (Tanesha) Shipp, Janay (Miles) Moore, Jamal (NiPre) McNutt, and Jamel (Zaria) McNutt-all of Minneapolis, MN, two great-nephews, LeVar Roberts of Minneapolis, Mn and DJ (Simone) Walker of Merrillville, IN, great-nieces Staci Worthman of Tucson, AZ and Jasmine Walker of Fort Wayne, IN, nine great-grandchildren-Aarylin, Jayah, JaCory Jr., Milaya, Jace, Jordyn, Justice, Onyx (Ernie), and Noire (Nora)-four bonus great-grandchildren-Janet, Naomie, LeVar Jr., and Kacyn-and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Glen Haven Memorial Gardens

5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429
(763) 533-8643
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Funeral Service

NOV **30**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

NOV **30**. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Memorial Gardens
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Crystal, MN 55429

Reception

NOV **30**. 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for Grace Spates in memory of Grace Spates



Washburn-McReavy - November 21, 2024 at 12:27 PM

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“ Tracy Spencer lit a candle in memory of Grace Spates



Tracy Spencer - November 30, 2024 at 03:03 PM

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“ Dillon James & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Spates.

Dillon James & Family - November 29, 2024 at 08:36 PM

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“ Dillon James & Family purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Grace Spates.



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LF

“ Love, your CMRS family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Grace Spates.



Love, your CMRS family - November 27, 2024 at 06:21 PM