

When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so much to see and do.
You must not tie yourself to me with tears.
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love, you cannot guess
How much you gave me in happiness.
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it's time I traveled on alone.
So grieve awhile for me, if grieve you must.
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for awhile that we must part.
So bless the memories in your heart.
I won't be far away for life goes on;
So if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see me, I'll be there.
And if you listen with your heart you'll hear
All my love around you soft and clear.
And then, when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and Welcome Home.



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Going Home

Celebration of Life Funeral Service from
Hackett-Livingston Funeral Home
Shenandoah, Iowa
Friday, July 28, 2017
10:30 am

Words of Comfort
Pastor Fred Bryson

Register Book
Barbara Taylor
Lyn Sliger

Songs of Comfort
"In The Garden"
"How Great Thou Art"
"The Old Rugged Cross"
Recordings by Dean Adkins
"Wind Beneath My Wings" by Bette Midler

Casket Bearers
Mike Wilson Bryan Wilson Joe Wilson
Ken Whitehill Cory Avey Jeremy Walter
Victor Bycroft Brandon Stevens

Place of Rest
Rose Hill Cemetery
Shenandoah, Iowa

Memorials
To The Family

Following the committal service at the cemetery everyone is welcome to join the family for lunch and fellowship at the Eagles Club located at 709 W. Thomas Ave. in Shenandoah.



Fairis Florene Whitehill-Maas, daughter of Jesse and Gladys Florene (Henn) Sliger, was born July 7, 1922 in Union, Nebraska. She passed away on July 24, 2017 at Nebraska Medicine in Omaha, Nebraska at the age of 95.

When she was young the family moved to Rock Port, Missouri and then to the Northboro, Iowa area. She graduated from Northboro High School in 1940. She was a four year starter on the girls basketball team.

She was united in marriage to Kenneth Whitehill on February 4, 1942 in Rock Port, Missouri. They lived in Northboro, Iowa where Kenneth farmed. After Kenneth's death in 1958 she moved to Coin, Iowa. In 1962, she married Edward Maas and moved to Shenandoah, Iowa; where she lived the rest of her days.

Fairis was a homemaker until Kenneth's passing in 1958; then was a custodian at the grade school in Coin, worked for Veterinarian Dr. Hogg, seamstress / alterations for Goldberg's Clothing in Shenandoah, bookkeeper for Henry Fields, KMA and Montgomery Ward, and at the age of 62 she retired from Eaton Corporation. She was a member of the Methodist Churches in Northboro and Shenandoah. She enjoyed playing cards especially Pitch, Canasta, Phase 10 with family and friends. Many Pitch marathons were known to happen. She loved to sew and was a beautiful seamstress. Also loved St. Louis Cardinal baseball, watching her kids, grandkids and great-grandkids in school activities.

Fairis was preceded in death by her parents, husbands Kenneth Whitehill and Edward Maas, brother Robert Sliger, sister Betty Sliger and many other relatives..

She was survived by her children; Linda (Gene) McMullen of Shenandoah, Danny (Mary) Whitehill of Farragut and Vicki (David) Stevens of Farragut, grandchildren; Diane (Mike) Wilson of Shenandoah, Sheri (Joe) Wilson of Olathe, KS, Ken (Jill) Whitehill of Sidney, Jamie (Cory) Avey of Randolph, Leigh (Victor) Bycroft of Humboldt, Katie Morris of College Springs, Nikki Stevens of Jacksonville, NC, Natalie Cottrell of Shenandoah, Brandon Stevens of Omaha, 13 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandson, numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

When Kenneth passed away, Fairis took on many jobs to raise her three children and keep her family together. Fairis was a loving mother and fun one too. She was a loving grandmother who made her grandchildren feel loved and special. She loved a good joke and had a smile and twinkle in her eye when her family was gathered and the room filled with laughter.