



Eloise Lavina Adams Stearns Conley

June 3, 1931 - January 10, 2020

Eloise Lavina Adams Stearns Conley entered her eternal home in Heaven in the early morning hours of January 10, 2020 at the Celebration Nursing and Rehab Center, Celebration, FL, after a short illness. She was the sixth child of a family of eight, daughter of Dewey Adams and Kathryn Proctor Adams Scheublein. Eloise was born June 3, 1931, in Johnson City, TN and spent her childhood days on the family dairy farm with her Granny and Granddad Proctor. She attended Science Hill High School and was active in the Piney Grove Methodist Church. After the death of her beloved Granddad, Eloise moved to Pennsylvania with her mother and sister Kay, working the apple and tomato fields. Eventually they moved to Jacksonville, FL, and then to Eustis, FL.

Eloise returned to Jacksonville where she worked for the Krystal Restaurant and met Robert Stearns, a sailor stationed at the Navy base. They married in 1952 and their first two children were born in Jacksonville. The young family moved to the Orlando area and eventually welcomed three more children.

Eloise was a homemaker, a technician at Martin-Marietta, an office assistant at Maynard Evans High School, and a secretary in the Decorating Department at Walt Disney World. A highlight of her Disney career was participating in the decorations for the Bicentennial Parade in 1976, and the opening of Epcot. After retirement, Eloise and her second husband, Harry Conley, traveled the

US by RV and settled in Kissimmee.

Eloise was preceded in death by her parents, brothers; George Adams, Dexter Adams, Jimmy Adams, sisters; Grace Counts, Fran McGinty Snodgrass, first husband; Robert Stearns, Sr., second husband; Harry Conley, daughter; Kelly Stearns Wallace Seech, granddaughter; Krissie Amber Sees.

Eloise was the loving matriarch to a large family that spanned five generations. She is survived by: sisters; Ruth Polk (Bob), Elizabethton TN, Kay Gnann, Eustis FL; children; Robin Lee (John), Jamestown SC, Robert Stearns, Jr. (Karen), Kissimmee FL, Thomas Stearns, Kissimmee FL, Kasey Barreras (Rafael), Groveland FL; 13 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

Eloise was a member of the Methodist Church and because of her faith in Jesus Christ we have the assurance she is in Heaven with those loved ones who went before her, and is looking forward to the day we will all join her there.

A Celebration of Life will be held Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 11:00 am at The Church in the Son, 4484 N. John Young Parkway, Orlando FL 32804.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Eloise Conley can be made to Special Olympics or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements by DeGusipe Funeral Home and Crematory, 9001 N. Orlando Ave., Maitland FL 32751, (407) 695-2273.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church in the Son
4484 N. John Young Parkway
Orlando, FL

Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Eloise Lavina Adams Stearns Conley.*



January 22, 2020 at 09:09 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Eloise Lavina Adams Stearns Conley.*



January 21, 2020 at 02:41 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Kasey Barreras - January 17, 2020 at 08:18 AM

JO

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



johnrobinlee - January 16, 2020 at 11:42 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



johnrobinlee - January 16, 2020 at 11:30 AM

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“ 2 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Robin Stearns Lee - January 15, 2020 at 07:55 AM

JD

“ Robin and family- I am so very sorry to hear the death of your Mom. I read the words written to honor her and I felt such deep love in those words. I have seen many pictures of her with different family members and her eyes were filled with such joy in each one. I know you all share the peace and hope you will all be together again. She left huge shoes to fill now that one of the 5 generations has reached her eternal home. I will continue to pray and lift you up for the painful and difficult days ahead. You all are truly blessed to have been loved so deeply. Love and hugs and prayers Jo & Jon-Mark

Jo Davey - January 14, 2020 at 02:32 PM

JG

“ [] With your passing we are losing a little more of the glue that keeps our family connected. You always tried to keep in touch with me, Alice and Dickie my after Grace, then Richard passed. Dickie and Kelly left this world only a week apart. So, here on earth, we are missing you so much.

[] But a joyful time is now begun in Heaven, with so many reunited in God's care. They all now walk hand in hand with Jesus and each other for all time.

[] They do not miss us because they always see us and watch over us to help guide us through our days.

Bless you and your sweet and kind hearted ways, Aunt Eloise, I Love you.

Jerri Counts Olson Gralton - January 14, 2020 at 12:56 PM

JO

Very sweet words, cousin! And I love the thought of Mom watching over us and guiding us. Love, Robin

johnrobinlee - January 16, 2020 at 11:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eloise Lavina Adams Stearns Conley.*



January 14, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Anna Wade - January 14, 2020 at 12:22 PM



So sweet to see this, Anna! And I see Bryce's blanket in the foreground. Grandma loves this little boy!! Love, Aunt Robin

johnrobinlee - January 16, 2020 at 11:32 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eloise Lavina Adams Stearns Conley.*



January 14, 2020 at 10:50 AM