



Florence E. Crawford

November 30, 1943 - July 11, 2020

Florence E. Crawford, of Lake Mary, FL, passed away due to Corona Virus at Advent Health Hospice, Orlando, FL, on July 11, 2020.

She enjoyed a successful career as an Air Force officer and as a dedicated teacher, retiring from Teague Middle School, Altamonte Springs, FL. Florence was an artist, teacher, mentor and friend to many. She received her BA degree from Monmouth College, W. Long Branch, NJ and following retirement from the USAF, she earned her master's degree while living in Tennessee.

Born in New York City, NY, on November 30, 1943, Florence is predeceased by her parents, Robert J. Dalton Sr. and Florence E. Dalton, her husband, Lt. Richard LaQuerre (USAF), and her husband, Maj. Robin M. (Bob) Crawford (USAF, Ret.).

Together, Florence and Bob raised their four children, Robin, Joseph, Anne, and James at various Air Force locations and after retirement, in Cookeville, TN. She is survived by her children and nine grandchildren as well as her sisters, Veronica Barrett, Longwood, FL, Leslie Hopper, Menands, NY, and Robert J. Dalton, Jr., Tinton Falls, NJ, her dear aunt, Marjorie Regan and her special uncle, John (Jack) Ervin. Additionally, she is survived by many, many loving cousins and friends in both New Jersey and Florida. Some who were especially kind were Mary Regan Benson, Anne Regan Fanelli, Kathy Regan,

Anita Nelson, Colleen Roses, Fred Bates, Briane Zadlock, and dear friend Carolyn Halvorsen.

Services are Private. Arrangements are being coordinated by DeGusipe Funeral Home, Maitland, FL

The family of Florence E. Crawford invites you to leave a message of condolence on the Tribute Wall created in her loving memory.

Tribute Wall

MR

“ Dear Veronica, Leslie, Bobbie, Ann Crawford , ANita, Colleen, Fred, and all our cousins. Unfortunately, we can't share our thoughts at a wake due to the Coronavirus, so I want to share with you here. I was 13 and my brother Jack was 7 when Florence was born. She and her mother, my sister Florence, lived with us. It was wartime and her father was overseas. She was a little sister to us and we had the pleasure of helping our Mother care for her while my sister worked. After the War, they settled in Asbury Park, NJ and there were many visits back and forth. We admired Florence as she grew, pursued an education, became a high school English teacher, joined the USAF and married. She served many years in the Philippines. She and her family returned to Cookeville , Tennessee, where her husband had grown up. Over the years I've been impressed by Florence's grace, faith and fortitude in dealing with life's difficulties.

A quote from Rabindranath Tagore, " Death is like putting out the lamp because the dawn has come." I think of Florence as in that light of dawn with her loved ones and our Creator. Marjorie Regan, known to my nieces as Dede.

Marjorie Regan - July 15, 2020 at 04:00 PM

ML

Beautifully said Cousin Marjorie.

Margie Patton (Marguerite Little) - July 17, 2020 at 08:07 AM

KB

“ *Rest in peace Aunt Florence and give Grandma a hug for me.*

Karen Blackman - July 15, 2020 at 03:34 PM

UP

“ Uncle Jack & Peggy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Florence E. Crawford.



Uncle Jack & Peggy - July 15, 2020 at 01:23 PM

JO

“ She will be missed.



Joe.crawford - July 15, 2020 at 11:48 AM

KB

“ Rest in peace dear Aunt Florence, we love you.

Kadie Blackman - July 15, 2020 at 11:30 AM

FJ

“ Rest in Peace cousin Florence. Fred Bates.

Fred Bates Jr. - July 15, 2020 at 09:54 AM

AN

“ She truly was an amazing woman and I will miss her. I'm glad she picked my dad. 💕

AnneCrawford - July 14, 2020 at 10:48 PM