



Iris Merle Anderson

March 8, 1931 - September 1, 2018

Iris Merle Anderson, beloved mother and grandmother, went to be with the Lord on September 1, 2018. She is predeceased by her parents, Patrick and Mattie Johnson, husband, Oliver and son, Les. She was born in Crystal Springs, Mississippi on March 8, 1931 and moved with her loving husband Oliver and family to Leesburg in 1967.

She is survived by her sons Dale (wife Elizabeth), Phillip (wife Linda) and Stacey, and daughter-in-law (Karen), her grandchildren Angie, Eric, Brittany, Erin and Scott and six great grandchildren. Iris was a registered nurse and loved gardening, going to church and spending time with her family. Iris was always a positive influence for those around her and will be dearly missed.

Please join us for a celebration of life at Beyers Funeral Home, Leesburg, Florida. There will be a viewing at 10am and service at 11am, Saturday, September 8th, 2018. Friends and family may leave condolences at www.BeyersFuneralHome.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry for the passing of Iris, my condolences to her Family and friends. I too know well of the pain of losing a love one in death. What brings me great comfort is Gods promise at Revelation 21:4- "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away." Death will be done away with and we will see our love ones again. I hope this brings you as much comfort as it does me.

Franklin - September 11, 2018 at 03:33 PM

“ Iris loved flowers her name was a flower. Here is the meaning of IRIS.

Iris Meaning

With striking uniqueness and beauty, irises have rich meanings. When irises are included in flower arrangements, they can convey deep sentiments.

Irises come in a large variety of shapes, sizes and colours, as there are around 325 species and 50,000 registered varieties.

These flowers are typically divided into two groups, bearded iris and beardless irises, which include Japanese and Siberian irises. They range from towering flowers of five feet or more to tiny dwarfs less than eight inches tall.

The flower has long, soft petals that gently flap in the wind. In China, the iris is known as tze hu-tieh, which translates into: the purple butterfly.

Irises bloom in a variety of colours, each with their own distinct meaning:

- *Blue iris means hope and faith*
- *Yellow iris means passion*
- *White iris means purity and innocence*

Origins of the Iris Meaning

The majestic iris has an ancient history and has been connected with royalty, the divine, and the afterlife.

The iris flower was named after the ancient Greek goddess Iris. She was a messenger to the gods and traveled between heaven and earth by using a rainbow as a bridge.

The ancient Greeks planted purple iris flowers on the graves of women, believing they would entice the goddess Iris to lead their loved ones to heaven.

Greek beliefs likely influenced the ancient Egyptians who also used the iris to symbolize their connection to heaven. Depictions of irises can be found in a number of Egyptian palaces.

By the middle ages, France took up the gauntlet and began to use iris flowers to symbolize royalty and power. The fleur-de-lis, one of the most well-known of all symbols, is derived from the shape of the iris flower. It remains the National symbol for France.

Irises have also been long used in 'Mary Gardens,' which are small sacred gardens enclosing a statue or shrine of the Virgin Mary. The blade-shaped foliage of the iris is thought to represent the sorrows that 'pierced her heart.'

Carolyn Torrey - September 09, 2018 at 12:29 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Sue Hall

Susan Hall - September 06, 2018 at 11:51 PM

MV

“ Such a beautiful lady. . .so happy to have known her. Praying for you all.



Mike & Annette Varner - September 06, 2018 at 08:18 AM

BM

“ sorry for your lose she was a sweet lady, she up therewith andy and the rest and you will see her again god bless all of you.



betty mendenhall - September 04, 2018 at 07:57 PM