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I va Dane Blood Obituary

Iva Dane Blood went peacefully to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, May 12, 2025 at the age of 88, in Oberlin, Ohio. She was born January 15, 1937, in South Haven, Michigan to Kennard and Thelma Schaibly. Iva Dane is survived by her five children, Wesley Blood (Marjorie), Sherley Blood Thom (David), Janel Blood, Daryl Blood (Alina), and his twin Marla Brewer (Jeremy), as well as her grandchildren, Andrew Blood (Shelby), Samuel Blood (Brigitta) Lew Blood, Sacha Brewer, and Nijyl Brewer, and one great-granddaughter, Felicity Blood. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 62 years, David Wilfred Blood.

The Schaibly family lived in a number of towns in Michigan's lower peninsula, Alma, Hopkins, Shepherd, Woodland and Edmore, and Iva Dane graduated from the Edmore High School in May of 1955, as the valedictorian of her class. She then attended Central Michigan University and earned a B.S. degree in teaching Home Economics. Iva Dane taught middle school and high school students for a year and a half in two Michigan schools in Owosso and Lakeview. She and Dave met in early high school, and married after they graduated from college in June of 1960. They moved to Massachusetts, where David worked as an electrical engineer.

Faith and family were central to Iva Dane, and Lincoln, Massachusetts became the home where she and David raised their children. She was deeply involved in the lives and the education of her children. She regularly volunteered to serve in the school system, and she became the chair of the METCO Host Family Program in the Lincoln Public School System, matching Lincoln families and inner-city Boston families for friendship and mutual encouragement. She was active in the community and served in the Lincoln Community Food Coop. She volunteered with the Emmanuel Gospel Center in Boston, providing administrative help to an immigration lawyer there. She also served for a time, as the church secretary at the Trinitarian Congregational Church (TCC) in Wayland, which was their church home for about 24 years.



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In 1994, she and Dave moved to State College, Pennsylvania, where Dave joined a research group related to Penn State University. They remained there until 2009, when they moved to Oberlin, Ohio to be nearer to the midwest and two of their children.

Iva Dane was devoted to her family and church, creatively managing a home and raising children. She loved to sew, garden, cook and bake, and carefully planned every meal for her family. She loved to read, and passed on that love of reading to her children. She loved all of God's creation, especially flowers and birds, and passed on this love to her children through flower arranging, nature walks and everyday observation. She loved music, which was also a large part of her life. After the twins were born, she and Dave took up square dancing. Both she and David loved international students. They began inviting students into their home in 1965, and our family life was constantly enriched by a steady stream of friends from all over the world, sharing their lives and cultures with us.

Iva Dane's faith in Jesus Christ was central to her life, and she and Dave were active church members in every community where they lived. TCC, mentioned above, was the church where all of their children professed faith in Jesus and were baptized. She and Dave worked to raise a family having faith in God, seeking guidance from Him, and teaching forgiveness as a way of life. Their final church home was the East Oberlin Community Church.

Iva Dane will be lovingly missed as a wife and mother, as a grandmother and great-grandmother, who poured her life into those around her. She was warm and welcoming to everyone, patient, rarely complaining, kind and considerate. She was thankful for God's many blessings in her life. She shared her faith in word, action and prayer, even praying for her nurses just days before she went home to be with Jesus!

Friends will be received Saturday, June 21, 2025 from 10:00 am until the time of an 11:00 am memorial service to remember and celebrate Iva Dane at East Oberlin Community Church, 43709 Oberlin Elyria Rd, OH 44074. A meal will follow the service at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to East Oberlin Community Church.



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AB

A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Iva Dane Blood posted:

A Memorial Tree was planted for Iva Dane Blood We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Dicken Funeral Home & Cremation Service Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree

January 29 at 9:42 AM

ES

Expression Of Sympathy posted:

A Memorial tree was ordered in memory of Iva Dane Blood. Plant a Tree Though I never had the chance to meet her, I truly believe she was a remarkable mother. The kindness, strength and love that Wes carries are a reflection of her beautiful spirit. Her legacy lives on through him, and that speaks volumes about the incredible woman she was.

January 29 at 9:42 AM

JF

Jeannie And James Benton And Julia Benton Pease And Her Family posted:

Designer's choice bouquet was purchased for the family of Iva Dane Blood by Jeannie and James Benton and Julia Benton Pease and her family. Send Flowers Iva Dane, you were a kind and generous friend and neighbor. We are so grateful to have had you and all the Bloods in our lives for so many years. Sending all our love to the Blood family. Jeannie and James Benton and Julia Benton Pease and her family

January 29 at 9:42 AM



Anonymous posted:

A Memorial tree was ordered in memory of Iva Dane Blood. Plant a Tree

January 29 at 9:42 AM

ES

Evan & Susan Schaibly posted:

White designer's choice bouquet was purchased for the family of Iva Dane Blood by Evan & Susan Schaibly. Send Flowers In loving memory of our wonderful Aunt, you'll forever be in our hearts. Evan & Susan Schaibly

January 29 at 9:42 AM



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GS

Gary Scheidler posted:

We got to know Iva Dane when she and Dave moved to Oberlin and started attending our church. We spent many evenings together in our small group study. Iva Dane was a gracious host and always made us feel welcome. Most of all she had a great love for God's word and truly loved studying it. She and Dave had such a passion for the college students making a real effort to be involved in their lives as well. She was very proud of her kids and grandkids. We always heard the latest they were up to and was so excited to share it with us. Despite all her health struggles she always had a positive outlook trusting that God would care for her. Truly she and Dave are people we know for sure are celebrating in heaven free from the pains and suffering here. Our condolences to the family who will surely miss her.

June 20 at 8:30 AM

FF

Fae Funston posted:

I knew Iva Dane in State College and spent many hours with her arranging flowers for the worship services. Much time being together with her and Dave in small groups and Bible studies. Always have good memories of them both. My sympathy to all of you at this time. In Him, Fae Frank Funston

May 24 at 8:06 AM

KB

Karim Brown posted:

Mrs. Blood was a wonderful woman who showed me and my family love. Marla, Daryl and I met on our first day of high-school at State College High. Her doors were always open to us. When my daughter was born, she would read to her when we visited. I will always remember her embrace and love. Blessings and prayers to the family.

May 18 at 1:05 PM

KG

Karen Goddard posted:

I remember Iva Dane fondly. I met her through our children, being in school together, and becoming friends with many play-dates. We lived in Lincoln, in same neighborhood. One year when the boys were in boy scouts together. We had to make a zillion bows for the Christmas wreath sale. Iva Dane being a very patient woman taught me how to tie the bows properly. God bless Iva Dane, and may she rest in peace.

May 17 at 10:32 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Iva by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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