



Miriam Mowery Irvin

April 22, 1933 - August 18, 2023

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. send condolences to the family of Miriam Mowery Irvin.

Miriam Mowery Irvin, 90, of Edinburg, passed away Friday, August 18th, 2023, at The Warren in Woodstock. The funeral service will be held Saturday, August 26, 2023, at 11:00am at St. Johns United Methodist Church. Reverend Terry Hendricks will officiate. Burial will follow in Cedarwood Cemetery in Edinburg. The family will receive friends at her home, 4108 Palmyra Church Road, Edinburg, VA 22824, at any time.

Mrs. Irvin was born April 22, 1933, in Woodstock, daughter of the late Charles R. and Pauline S. Mowery. She was married to John Grove Irvin who preceded her in death in 1997. She attended Shenandoah Co. Public Schools and was a graduate of Winchester Memorial Hospital School of Nursing as a registered professional nurse. She pursued her career as a professional nurse having worked in Richmond at Richmond Memorial Hospital, Shenandoah Memorial Hospital and retired as director of nursing from Skyline Terrace Nursing Home. Her nursing experience carried on throughout her lifetime assisting others. She was active in community affairs and was a member of St. Paul's United Church of Christ for 50 years, serving on the board, various committees and in the choir. After it closed, she became a member of St. Johns United Methodist Church.

She was a former board member (director) of the Edinburg Heart Association, former board member of the American Red Cross, former member of Shenandoah Garden Club, member of Edinburg Heritage Foundation, member of Shenandoah Historical Society. She was a member, Past President and Committee Chairman of Edinburg Chamber of Commerce and was recipient of the Outstanding Citizen Award in 1996. She was also a recipient of the Masons Community Service Award. She was active for years in the Edinburg Ole Time Festival and was involved in its organization and first Festival in 1981. She served as chairman, co-chairman, committee member chairman and was chosen to serve as the Grand Marshall in the parade in 2008. She was active with Shenandoah Memorial Hospital where she was a member of the Auxiliary and helped and participated in the Hospital Follies for many years. She was a former member of the Shenandoah Memorial Hospital Board of Directors. She served on the SMH board foundation and on hospital committees as a community representative. She served on the Advisory Board of Skyline Terrace Nursing Home. In 2021, she was the recipient of the Edinburg Heritage Foundation Award.

She is survived by three sons, Mark Grove Irvin and fiancée Donna Hollar, Edmund Mowery Irvin and John Wesley Irvin and wife Trish; grandchildren, Ashby Kendal Irvin, John "Jack" Wilson Irvin and Mary Rose Irvin; sisters-in-law, Joyce Mowery of Woodstock and Martha T. Irvin of Richmond; nieces, Nadine Sue Gilmore and husband Richard of Lynchburg and Mary Frances York and husband Tom of Richmond; nephew, Joseph T. Irvin and wife Stacey of Warrenton; great nephews, Will York of Richmond and Dr. Richard Charles Gilmore of TN; great nieces, Ella and Erin Irvin of Warrenton and Elizabeth and Sarah York of Richmond; cousins, Margaret Ann Irvin Gochenour and husband Jerry of Edinburg and George Victor Irvin of Edinburg. She was preceded in death by brother, Charles S. Mowery and brother-in-law, George R. Irvin.

Pallbearers will be Jim Long, John Clem, Keith Lantz, Scott Wisman, Mike Kline, Charlie Huppuch, Mark Krebs, and John Wilson Irvin. Honorary pallbearers will be C. F. Wagniere, Bill Whetzel, Geroge V. Irvin, Jerry Gochenour, Fulton B. Kegley, Luis Belmontez, and Don Beazley.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the St. Johns United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 310, Edinburg, VA 22824, Edinburg Heritage Foundation, P.O. Box 336, Edinburg, VA 22824, Shenandoah Valley Free Clinic, 124 Valley Vista Drive, Woodstock, VA 22664 or Madison District Pool, P.O. Box 85, Edinburg, VA 22824.

Miriam loved to play tennis, bridge and dominos. She loved helping people in the community. She will be missed by all that knew her.

Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com

Arrangements by Heishman Funeral Home Inc., Valley Funeral Service Branch, Edinburg.

Cemetery Details

Cedarwood Cemetery

214 S. Main St
Edinburg, VA 22824

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John's United Methodist Church
116 S High St
Edinburg, VA 22824
(540) 984-4464

Burial

AUG **26** (ET)

Cedarwood Cemetery
214 S. Main St
Edinburg, VA 22824

Tribute Wall

DF

“ *Such a kind, caring person who leaves the air filled with goodness long after she left for another journey.*

Dewey Funkhouser - October 30, 2023 at 10:38 AM

SS

“ *I learned of Miriam's passing only recently. My husband, Chuck, had a great deal of respect for Miriam and enjoyed serving with her on the Shenandoah Memorial Hospital Board. He would sometimes return from meetings and tell me about a wise, or witty, or especially to-the-point comment she had made that evening. Her words had a great deal of weight, given her long history of good works in the community. I considered it an honor to live down the street from her and to occasionally talk with her at neighborhood get-togethers. Miriam was one of the people who made Edinburg a great place to live.*

Susan Sheridan

Susan Sheridan - September 06, 2023 at 01:29 AM

CW

“ *Wes, my sincere condolences to you and all family...
Wes, I heard you talk about you mom many times.. you loved and cared for her and will miss her.
Know that she is wrapped in the arms of Jesus and many angels.*

carol wharton - August 28, 2023 at 11:43 AM

HA

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Gerald and Brigitte Hawkins*



Hawkins - August 23, 2023 at 05:58 PM

PH

“ *Miriam was a great lady and will be sadly missed. Prayers to the family*

Phyllis Hollar - August 23, 2023 at 11:44 AM

PH

“ *Phyllis Hollar lit a candle in memory of Miriam Irvin*



Phyllis Hollar - August 23, 2023 at 11:42 AM

BW

“ *I always enjoyed nursing with Miriam at SMH. She was a beautiful person and wonderful nurse. Love and sympathy to her family and friends.*

Becky Walker - August 23, 2023 at 08:11 AM

LH

“ *Miriam was such a lovely lady, always so bright and engaged, I enjoyed working with her on the hospital foundation board. My deepest condolences to her whole family. Lynn Holtzman*

Lynn Holtzman - August 22, 2023 at 04:20 PM

CW

“ Sending out peace, love and comforting vibes to the family.

Carla Harbison Woodward - August 22, 2023 at 08:58 AM

BE

“ Deepest sympathy to the family & MANY friends of Miriam... She was a solid foundation for Edinburg and Community, contributing years of unselfish service... I am honored to have known her and humbly thank her for being an important part of our lives... And thank her family for sharing her with us... The memory of her will remain in our thoughts and hearts forever... Rest in peace, Miriam... You will be sadly missed.

Bobbie Sainz of Edinburg - August 22, 2023 at 08:51 AM

JA

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. David and Janet Ferguson

jane - August 21, 2023 at 09:49 PM

MC

“ So sorry to learn of Miriam's passing. She was a wonderful person and will be missed by everyone who knew her. She was a true leader in our community and the heart of her family. Our sympathy goes out to all her family members.

Mike and Pam Clem

Mike and Pam Clem - August 21, 2023 at 07:01 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Miriam Mowery Irvin.

August 21, 2023 at 06:16 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Miriam Mowery Irvin.*



August 21, 2023 at 06:16 PM



“ *May God Bless the Irving during this time of sorrow. Miriam always had a smile on her face. She never met a stranger and was a pleasure to talk with. RIP our Dear Friend.*

Frank and Bonnie Painter - August 21, 2023 at 05:48 PM



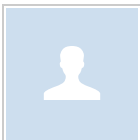
Our sincerest sympathy to the family of Miriam. She was such a lovely and friendly person and touched so many lives. Our thoughts are with you. Janice & Kenny Ryman

Janice & Ken Ryman - August 25, 2023 at 05:06 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Miriam Mowery Irvin.*

August 21, 2023 at 04:46 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Miriam Mowery Irvin.*



August 21, 2023 at 04:46 PM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of *Miriam Mowery Irvin*.



August 21, 2023 at 04:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of *Miriam Mowery Irvin*.

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