



## Rita M. Walford

March 8, 1927 - March 23, 2018

Rita Marie Walford, 91, passed away Friday, March 23, 2018, at Homewood Health Campus in Lebanon, Indiana. She was born on March 8, 1927, in Lafayette, Indiana, a daughter of the late Harry C. and Nellie (Orr) Eckman.

On April 26, 1952, she was married to Robert Joseph Walford, Sr. They had spent 58 loving years together when he preceded her in death on April 12, 2011.

Rita was a 1944 graduate of St. Agnes High School and a 1948 graduate of St. Vincent Nursing School. Her entire career was spent as an RN for St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis.

She had volunteered for many years for the Indiana Diabetes Association and was a faithful member of St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church in Zionsville. In addition to Indiana, Rita had lived in Ellenton, Florida for nearly 22 years.

She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She loved her family dearly and their times they all spent together.

Rita is survived by:

Four Children:

Deborah (Elton) Spade – Georgetown, Texas

Robert (Linda) Walford, Jr. – Lebanon, Indiana  
Gregory (Ruby) Walford – Indianapolis, Indiana  
Jeffrey (Mary Ann Napier) Walford – Lebanon, Indiana

Four Grandchildren:

Natalie Walford  
Whitney Morrical  
Colin Walford  
Jordan Walford

Brother:

Charles (Rory) Eckman

Sister-in-law:

Vickie Eckman

In addition to her parents and her husband, Rita was preceded in death by a brother, Joseph Eckman; and a sister and brother-in-law, Patricia and Charles Ulrey.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 29, 2018, at Myers Mortuary in Lebanon, Indiana.

Funeral Services are planned for 11:00 a.m. on Thursday at the funeral home in Lebanon.

Interment will follow services at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Memorials may be directed to Alzheimer's Association, Greater Indiana Chapter, 50 East 91st Street, Suite 100, Indianapolis, Indiana 46240-1554.

# Cemetery Details

## Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Road  
Indianapolis, IN 46250

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 29. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Myers Mortuary  
1502 North Lebanon Street  
Lebanon, IN 46052  
(765) 482-0620  
office@myersmortuary.com  
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## Service

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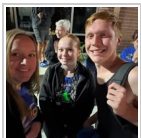
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“ *Our condolences to you all, SHE is a very nice looking lady.*

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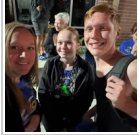
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“ *I dearly loved Rita . I worked Legacy once or twice a week and enjoyed my time with her.*

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Rita M. Walford*



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