



## Fran G. Elam

December 13, 1942 - June 7, 2019

Fran G. Elam, age 76 years, a resident rural Golconda, the Sulphur Springs community, passed away unexpectedly Friday morning, June 7, 2019, at 7:30 AM at her home.

Fran was the eldest of four children born to Bud and Frances (Cooper) Grubbs Pearce. She was born December 13, 1942 in Joliet, Illinois.

On March 16, 1962, Fran was united in marriage to Glen E. Elam in Jonesboro, Illinois. He preceded her in death on August 19, 2016.

Survivors include: her children – Danny Joe (Venus) Elam of Bloomingdale, Kathy Jo (Jimmy) Fehrman of the Dixon Springs community, Gary Dean (Donna) Elam of Caseyville, and Brandon Eric Elam of Marion; 2 grandchildren – Samantha Jane Fehrman and Tyler James Fehrman; 2 sisters – Laura Lee Craddock of Union, Tennessee and Linda Dale (Frank) Harris of Mayfield, Kentucky; a brother-in-law & sister-in-law – Ivus (Linda) Elam of the Sulphur Springs community; as well as nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

In addition to her parents and husband, Fran was preceded in death by a brother – Tommy Dan Pearce.

Fran was a 1960 graduate of Elgin High School. Following graduation, she attended business college in Elgin. Fran was employed as a secretary by David C. Cook Publishing Co as well as the Sky Harbor Airport. Additionally, she worked in the deli department at Dominick's Finer Foods in Elgin.

In 1998, Glen and Fran retired to southern Illinois making their home in Pope County. Fran enjoyed homemaking and collecting dolls. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Crystal Lake, Illinois.

A service honoring the life of Fran Elam will be conducted Tuesday afternoon, June 11, 2019, at 1 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Kevin Richerson will officiate. Burial will be in the Sulphur Springs Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 11 AM – 1 PM Tuesday, June 11, 2019, at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105-1905 or online at [www.st.jude.org](http://www.st.jude.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Sulphur Springs Cemetery

Sulphur Springs Road at Eddyville Blacktop  
Golconda, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fran G. Elam*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Teresa Anderson lit a candle in memory of Fran G. Elam*



**Teresa Anderson** - June 09, 2019 at 04:32 PM



*Kathy, I am sorry for your loss.*

**Teresa Anderson** - June 09, 2019 at 04:33 PM



*Lin, We are very sorry for the loss of your sister. Prayers sent for strength and comfort for her family.*

**PATRICIA PURYEAR** - June 10, 2019 at 04:40 PM



“ *I always loved the song "You Are My Sunshine." Fran told me the reason why. When I was born, she claimed me as HER baby. She said she spent many hours rocking me and singing to me -- "You Are My Sunshine." She recently gave me a music box which plays "You Are My Sunshine." The flowers I chose for her service are yellow -- the color of sunshine. She was a TRULY WONDERFUL big sister!!!*  
*LindaDale*

**LindaDale** - June 09, 2019 at 03:21 PM

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“ I’m sorry for your loss. I attended Elgin High School with Fran, where I knew her as Francis. I was also a class of 1960 EHS graduate. I wasn’t aware she was living in Southern Illinois. I remember her as a good friend.

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**Joyce (Fear) Bell** - June 08, 2019 at 07:09 PM