



Elsbeth D. "Beth" Cass

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Elsbeth "Beth" (Derby) Cass, 80, of Leo-Cedarville, passed away on Monday, July 21, 2025, at home with her family by her side. Beth was the wife of Fred Cass. Born in Deerfield, Illinois, on September 9, 1944, she was the daughter of the late John and Shirley (Clark) Derby. After graduating from Highland Park High School, she attended Hanover College and Indiana University, earning BS and MS degrees in Spanish and English Teaching.

She and Fred met at a Spanish language camp for high school students in southern Indiana in the summer of 1967 after Fred returned from Peace Corps service in Venezuela. They were married on June 15, 1968, and enjoyed 57 years of marriage. Beth taught a total of 23 years-3 years at Leo High School and 20 years at Carroll High School teaching Spanish.

An active member of New Haven United Methodist Church, Beth served as a leader of several women's church groups from Bible studies to women's circles, bake and rummage sales, and church office volunteering. She will be greatly missed by the church's United Women of Faith.

A wonderful wife, mother, and grandmother, her life was molded in three Fs: family, faith, and friendships. She was an excellent role model for everyone.

Beth is survived by her husband, Fred; daughters, Meg (Joe) Worman of Leo-Cedarville and Christy (Ian) Walker of Indianapolis; son, Brian (Charity) Cass of Fort Wayne; sisters, Jean (Gene) Patterson and Susan (Tom) Haight; and grandsons, Blake, Drew, Rowan, Ryker, and Regin.

Funeral service is 12 pm Saturday, July 26, 2025, at New Haven United Methodist Church, 630 Lincoln Hwy E, New Haven with visitation one hour prior. Visitation is also 1 to 4 and 5 to 7 pm Friday, July 25, 2025, at the church. Private burial in I. O. O. F. Cemetery in New Haven. In lieu of flowers, preferred memorials to New Haven United Methodist Church/United Women of Faith. Arrangements by Harper's Community Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven. To share online condolences, go to www.harperfuneralhome.com



Events

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Visitation

Friday, July 25, 2025

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

New Haven United Methodist Church
630 Lincoln Hwy East, New Haven IN 46774

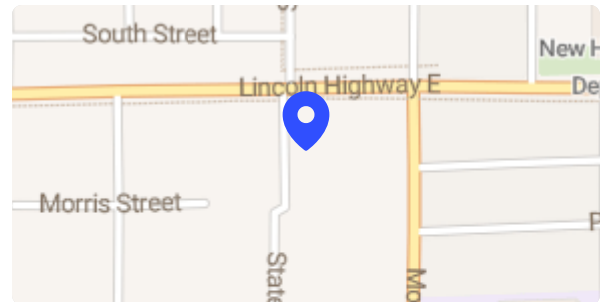


Visitation

Friday, July 25, 2025

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

New Haven United Methodist Church
630 Lincoln Hwy East, New Haven IN 46774

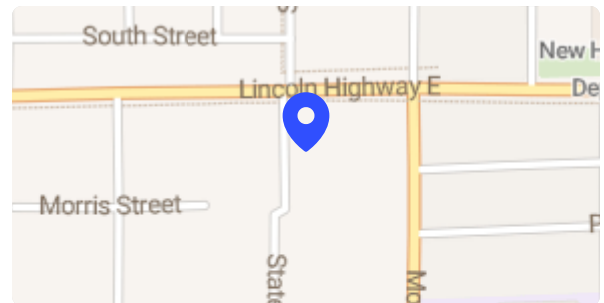


Funeral Service

Saturday, July 26, 2025

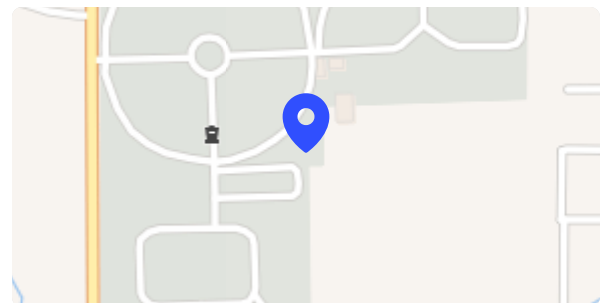
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET

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Cemetery Details

IOOF Cemetery
1109 Hartzell Rd, New Haven IN 46774





Tribute Wall

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JQ

Juliana Quackenbush posted:

I am sorry for your loss. Please accept my deepest sympathy. You and your family are in my prayers.

July 26 at 12:03 PM

SD

Susan D. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Elsbeth.



July 24 at 7:46 AM

ST

Susan Terfler posted:

Beth was my colleague, leader and friend at Carroll HS. She was always both friendly and professional. After she retired we met monthly for coffee or lunch for 15 years until I moved away. We shared smiles and concerns about everything from family matters to world events. She was always caring, insightful, witty and wonderful. I have been missing my friend and I always will. Godspeed, dear Beth.

July 23 at 12:56 PM

RH

Ree Hieber July 24 at 7:25 PM

Beth was a wonderful Christian friend and excellent listener. We truly enjoyed our brief moments with her and Fred at church and at their home and ours. Beth always took time to call, stop by and bring such pretty pots of flowers. She was a very blessed friend; and I really miss her. Ree Hieber

CW

Christy Walker July 24 at 4:35 PM

Thank you, Susan. Mom talked about how much she enjoyed your lunch outings and your days together at Carroll. - Christy (Cass) Walker

SM

Steve And Donna Moran posted:

Fred, We were so sorry to read about Beth's passing. You have our prayers and sympathy in your loss.

July 23 at 8:22 AM



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Penny Doty lit a candle in honor of Elsbeth.

Our sincerest condolences to Fred and the family in their loss of a beautiful, caring, loving. Smart lady who love all her family, friends and church with her whole heart and soul. We the circle ladies, Bible study, church members will miss you so much Beth. You j7st brightened our day with your smile, knowledge, love you had for every one. Your newest angel in heaven to watch over and guide all of us. Till we are together in heaven will miss u and we send our love to u and your family. Your in our thoughts and prayers god bless love ❤️ and 🤗 hugs.



July 22 at 4:41 PM



Christy Walker July 24 at 4:39 PM

Thank you, Penny. Her church activities and friends were so important to Mom, and your kind words mean a lot to our family. -- Christy (Cass) Walker



Tim And Wendy Haight sent a Springtime Wishes to the Cass family.



July 22 at 10:42 AM



Love, Eric, Kristen, Maddie, Ethan Hite sent a Calm & Comfort Bouquet for Sympathy - Florist Choice to the Cass family.



July 22 at 9:41 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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