



Ileene Clair Nowers Tow

December 12, 1926 - October 21, 2020

Heaven and earth are blessed today as a lovely earth angel, Ileene Clare Nowers Tow, transitioned to becoming a heavenly angel on October 21, 2020. Ileene, at age 93, passed peacefully in the loving and capable hands of staff at the E.T. York Hospice Center in Gainesville, Florida.

Ileene was born in Atkinson, Illinois, the only daughter of Harry and Alberta Atkins Nowers, on December 12, 1926. She was a graduate of the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing in Peoria, Illinois, and worked as a nurse until marrying Dr. Herman D. Tow, Jr. in 1958. As the wife of a Naval officer she enjoyed living in San Francisco, the Philippines, and finally settling for 10 years in Maryland, followed by 10 years in Oklahoma. During her husband's Navy career she was actively involved in the Navy Dental Wives Club, and in Oklahoma was a volunteer in the cause of child abuse and neglect. Upon retirement, Ileene and Herman moved to Gainesville, FL to be near their daughter and her family. She was a member of P.E.O for many years and enjoyed cooking, baking, playing golf, going on cruises and being with her family. She was a devoted and committed wife, mother and grandmother. We are so honored that she was such a tremendous part of our lives. Your family, and friends, will miss you!

Ileene was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, Dr. Herman D. Tow, Jr. and her son-in-law Robert E. Horter. She is survived by her only daughter, Martha Tow Horter and two grandchildren; John and Kathryn Horter.

Comments



“ Martha, my parents lived across the street from your folks in Haile Plantation. They always spoke so fondly of both of them. I remember meeting your folks during one of my visits.

My husband and I recently purchased the home my parents built. I was visiting with the Robinson's just last week asking about your Mom and Dad. Jan was aware of your father's passing but not your Mom's, at the time.

My heart goes out to you and yours. May your memories bring you peace. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you. And, we will continue to honor your Mom and Dad as we enjoy this place.

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“ We were next door neighbors to Herman and Ileene in Gainesville, Florida (Haile Plantation subdivision) for several years in the 1990's. They were such lovely and caring people. I know heaven is richer today for Ileene's arrival.
Marilyn O. Hall

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