



## Wilma Lee Sparks

October 29, 1931 - June 16, 2020

Wilma Lee Sparks, 88 of Solsberry, passed away Tuesday evening, June 16th at IU Health Hospice House.

She was born in Shoals, Indiana on October 29, 1931 to Cletus and Beatrice Inman. Wilma was married to Raymond (Junior) Sparks for 67 years. She was a graduate of Solsberry High School and a member of Cincinnati Christian Church.

She was a loving mother and Christian. She spent her career at RCA, Sears, and Bloomington Developmental Learning Center. She loved her days rocking babies at BDLC. She devoted her life to raising her 5 sons. Wilma spent countless hours at sporting events and programs watching her boys, grandchildren, and great grandchildren do what they loved. She loved talking on the phone every night to her sisters. We will cherish the memories of her snapping beans, shucking corn, gardening, cooking, baking, and spoiling her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great, great grandchildren. Her family will spend the rest of their days trying to perfect her chili and her other famous dishes. They will eventually figure out the exact measurement for handful of brown sugar.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband; her brothers Doyle Inman, Loren Inman, and Kermit Inman; her sisters, Betty Lou Price and Clea Mae Carmichael; and her nieces Nancy (Carmichael) Fender, Susie (Price) Schulte, Patty Ann Inman and great granddaughter Bristol Sparks.

Wilma will be missed by her sons, Gary (Debbie) Sparks of Bloomfield, Steve (Ellen) Sparks of Ellettsville, Rick (Shellie) Sparks of Bloomington, Randy Sparks of Solsberry, and Kevin (Michelle) Sparks of Bloomfield; grandchildren Chris Sparks, Travis (Emmy) Sparks, Tammi (Matt) Klein, Brad Sparks, Krista (Matt) Patterson, Chad Sparks, Brittany (Rob) Domaschko, Ryan (Bonnie) Sparks, Cody (Ashley) Sparks, Nathan Sparks, and Lindsey Sparks; 15 great grandchildren, and 3 great, great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Monday, June 22, 2020 at Cincinnati Christian Church from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm with the funeral following at 2:00 pm. She will be laid to rest in Carmichael Cemetery.

Online condolences, photos and memories can be left with family at [www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com](http://www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery

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## Carmichael Cemetery

Carmichael Road  
Bloomfield, IN, 47424

# Events

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**JUN** **Visitation** 11:00AM - 02:00PM

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Cincinnati Christian Church  
11432 E. State Road 54, Bloomfield, IN, US, 47424

**JUN** **Service** 02:00PM

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# Comments

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“ I worked for several years at BDLC with Wilma. She was the sweetest, kindest caregiver a baby could want. She gave them all the full on grandma treatment! She worked harder than the girls 25 years younger, and always had a sunny disposition. All the babies loved her, and so did their parents!  
Wilma was a gem.

**Tamera Reynolds** - June 28 at 03:04 PM

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“ We were sorry to learn of Wilma's passing. Praying that you all feel the Lord's loving presence surrounding and strengthening you through this time of sorrow.

Cindy and Mark Lamphier

**Cindy Lamphier** - June 22 at 12:43 PM

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“ So sorry to learn of Wilma's passing. She always had a smile on her face and was a blessing to everyone who knew her. Our prayers are with the Sparks family.

**Randy and Carolyn Turpin** - June 21 at 06:46 PM

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“ Sorry for the loss of your loved one. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.



**Tom & Shannon Vincent** - June 18 at 10:43 AM

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“ Wilma Lee was an amazing woman and I will forever miss her I will always try to perfect her chicken roll ups



Anissa Clarke - June 17 at 10:30 PM

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“ Truly the best Grandma (Gram Gram) a grandchild could ask for! She was an amazing women.



Lindsey Sparks - June 17 at 04:47 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Wilma Sparks



Lester Jenkins and Sons Funeral Home Inc. - June 17 at 03:58 PM



“ I remember Wilma rocking those babies at BDLC. My daughter Becky was one of the babies she rocked. I visited BDLC on my lunch hour to nurse and had the privilege of watching Wilma with the other babies. You could learn a lot from watching Wilma, but she was a natural with babies and had a magic touch.

Ann Edmonds - June 19 at 08:31 AM