



Sara E. (Terri) Oliver
Sept. 28, 1938 to June 2, 1992

Relationship to St. Andrew: Sara was a member of St. Andrew and was chairperson of the Nursery School Board.

Family: Sara married James Oliver on Dec. 19, 1964 in England and they have two children, James R. and Susan E.

Recognitions: Sara was an academic counselor at Purdue University, a tax consultant and instructor and a teacher. She was active in scouting and school events.

Memorial Uses: The gifts were added to the General Memorial Fund.

Sara E. Oliver, 53, academic counselor



Sara Oliver

Sara E. Garau Oliver, 53, of 819 Sparta St., WL, died at 2:23 a.m. Tuesday in St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center. She had been in ill health for 20 months.

From September 1988 to December 1991, she was academic counselor at Purdue University, first at the schools of humanities, social science and education. When those schools split, she was academic counselor with the school of education.

She was an account clerk in the child development and family studies department at Purdue from August 1984 until May 1988 and had been a temporary account clerk for Consumer Science and Retailing in 1983.

A tax preparer for H&R Block from 1978 to 1984, she taught Block's basic tax course, and was office manager. She also was a real estate seminar leader from 1970 to 1980.

Mrs. Oliver taught school from 1959 until 1966 for the Indianapolis Public School Corp., the Department of Defense in Molesworth, England, and Fairford, England, the Antioch School Corp. and the Union City School Corp.

OLIVER, Sara E.

Friends may call 5-8 p.m. today at Soller-Baker West Lafayette Chapel. Calling 1 hour prior to service at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Andrew United Methodist Church, West Lafayette, the Rev. Robert Dexter officiating. Interment Tippecanoe Memory Gardens. Those desiring may contribute to American Cancer Society.

She had served as team mother for junior varsity softball, as vice president of a youth softball league, was co-chairperson for the West Lafayette Junior High School Parent Council and a member of Cumberland School. She had been a den mother for Cub Scouts, assistant leader for Brownies and Girl Scouts and a room mother for eight years.

Born on Sept. 28, 1938, in Rushville, she moved to West Lafayette from Indianapolis 23 ago. She graduated from Rushville High School in 1956, completed her bachelor of science degree in elementary education in 1959, her master of arts degree in counseling in 1961, both at Ball State University; completed basic tax courses 1977-1984 at H&R Block; studied accounting at Ivy Tech and completed classes in continuing education from 1984 until 1988.

She married James B. Oliver on Dec. 19, 1964, in Whitney, Oxfordshire, England. He survives.

Mrs. Oliver was a member of St. Andrew's United Methodist Church in West Lafayette and chairperson of the nursery school board. She was a member and recording secretary of West Lafayette Citizens Safety Committee and a member of Purdue Academic Counselors and Advisors, having served as treasurer.

Also surviving are a son, James R. Oliver of West Lafayette; a daughter Susan E. Oliver, at home; two brothers, John E. Garau of Martinsville and David R. Garau of Rushville; and a sister, Ardith Parmer of Big Pine Key, Fla.