



Stella Samuels

March 23, 1941 - June 23, 2025

Stella M. Samuels of Knox passed away peacefully at home on Monday, June 23, 2025, following an illness. She was 84 years old.

Stella was born on March 23, 1941, in North Liberty to the late Enoch Cole and Ruby Mae (Arnett) Cole-Jimmerson. On September 7, 1974, she married William Samuels in Knox. They shared many years together before his passing in 1998.

A woman known for her tireless work ethic, Stella dedicated many years to the Hiler Foundry in Walkerton. Even after retiring from factory work, she remained active in the workforce, rising early to open and prepare kitchens as a prep cook in several area restaurants. She took pride in her work and earned the respect of many through her commitment and reliability.

Outside of work, Stella loved her pets and found great joy in their companionship. But above all, she cherished her family. She was a devoted mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother whose presence meant everything to those who knew and loved her. Her grandchildren were especially close to her heart.

She is survived by: three daughters Elizabeth Beauchamp, Debra (Ed) Cunningham, Rita (Tim) Brettin; one son Leon (Latisha) Thomas Jr.; ten grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. She also leaves behind a son James Thomas, two brothers, Ed and Lonnie, and three sisters, Mary, Phyllis, and Donna.

Stella was preceded in death by her parents, her husband William, one

granddaughter Stephanie, one great-grandson Zachary, five brothers, three sisters, one son-in-law Guy Sr. and the father of her children Leon Thomas Sr. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM CDT Saturday, July 19, 2025 at Fletcher Cemetery, Hamlet, IN (located at the intersection of county roads 700 East and 400 North). No additional services or public viewing are scheduled at this time.

Stella will be remembered for her strength, her work ethic, and the deep love she had for her family.

Cemetery Details

Fletcher Cemetery

700 E
Hamlet, IN 46532

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

Fletcher Cemetery
700 E
Hamlet, IN 46532