



## Norma "Francey" Gangwish

August 1, 1934 - April 1, 2023

Norma "Francey" Gangwish, 88, of Gibbon passed away Saturday, April 1, 2023, at Brookestone Gardens in Kearney. Funeral services will be 1:00 pm, Thursday, April 6, 2023, at Gibbon Baptist Church with Pastor Taylor Shippy officiating. Interment will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Gibbon. Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 pm, Wednesday at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to Gibbon Baptist Church. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O' Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Service.

Francey was born August 1, 1934, in Eldred, Illinois, to Kenneth and Opal (Shaw) Brannan. She received her education from Eldred Grade School and Carrollton High School in Eldred and Carrollton, Illinois. On November 28, 1954, Francey was united in marriage to Cliff Gangwish at Eldred Baptist Church in Eldred, Illinois. The couple moved to Gibbon, Nebraska, where they made their home in 1954. Francey worked as a dental assistant in both Carrollton and Gibbon, a secretary for 25 years at the Gibbon Baptist Church, and was an excellent homemaker.

She was a longtime member of the Gibbon Baptist Church where she was involved in numerous organizations and activities. She was also a member of

Pioneer Club, American Baptist Women, and was a volunteer for the Buffalo County Election Board. Francey enjoyed sewing, bird watching- especially hummingbirds and cardinals, keeping a journal, and playing marbles with her family and friends. She collected angels and enjoyed listening to music. She was a gracious hostess and loving caregiver.

Left to cherish her memory are her beloved husband, Cliff Gangwish of Gibbon; her children, Mike Gangwish of Gibbon, Elaina (Greg) Jones of Gibbon, Joe Gangwish of Kearney; grandchildren, Aaron Nutter, Dustin (Angie) Nutter, Courtney Wilhelm, Brian (Madison) Gangwish, Brandon Wallace, Elliot (Kylie) Gangwish, Kylie Wallace, Erika (Brandon) Jessop, and Aubrey Jones; great-grandchildren Madison, Aiden, Katelyn, Haideyn Nutter; Jamison and Jackson Nutter; Samantha and Hannah Wilhelm; Weston and Ivan Gangwish.

Francey was preceded in death by her parents; and brothers, Jim Brannan and Max Brannan.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

45400 85th Road  
Gibbon, NE

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Homes and Cremations  
4115 Ave N  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 234-3500  
info@osrfh.com  
<https://www.osrfh.com>

## Funeral Service

APR 6. 1:00 PM (CT)

Gibbon Baptist Church  
705 Court St  
Gibbon, NE 68840-6228  
(308) 468-5323

# Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Norma "Francey" Gangwish.*



April 05, 2023 at 02:30 PM



“ *Cliff, Elaina, Mike and Joe: I am sending my deepest condolences to you and yours. Francey was the sweetest lady ever, and always greeted me with her big smile. She will be dearly missed and so fondly remembered. Love, Karla*

**Karla Dye** - April 04, 2023 at 01:42 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Norma "Francey" Gangwish.*



April 04, 2023 at 01:00 PM



“ *Francey, such a nice sweet person. Condolences to her family! Merle & Carol Lyons.*

**Carol Lyins** - April 03, 2023 at 03:22 PM

BJ

“ So many wonderful times spent at the Gangwish home as Joe and I grew up together. She will be missed by many people who knew her. Her smile and kindness will always be in my memories. Praying for you all as you remember all the good times you shared with her.

*Bob Johnson and family*

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**Bob Johnson** - April 03, 2023 at 12:08 PM

CS

“ Francey was a dear friend and we enjoyed playing marbles. Will miss her very much.

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**Carol Stearley** - April 03, 2023 at 11:53 AM

SH

“ We have such fond memories of our time in Gibbon with Francey and her lovely family. Francey was a dear friend and terrific secretary serving the Gibbon Baptist Church. A Faithful servant in Christ's family now enfolded in God's eternal Love. Steve & Betty Hartman

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**Steve Hartman** - April 03, 2023 at 11:52 AM

JW

“ Cliff, Mike, Joe, Elaina & families please know how sad we were when Mike let us know of Francey's passing. Such a genuine kind, wonderful lady. Jay always considered her as one of THE important people in his life. She & Cliff always welcomed us in their home, with a hug & lots of smiles & stories, whenever we were in Gibbon. Francey you will be greatly missed, thank you for all the wonderful memories! Due to health issues for Jay we are unable to make a trip to Gibbon for her funeral, but as soon as we can Cliff, we'll come see you. Take care, we love you all...Jay & Suzy Wicht

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**Jay & Suzy Wicht** - April 03, 2023 at 11:00 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norma "Francey" Gangwish.*



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April 03, 2023 at 10:45 AM



“ *Sandy Hubbard lit a candle in memory of Norma "Francey" Gangwish*



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**Sandy Hubbard** - April 03, 2023 at 09:22 AM



“ *Aunt Francey, you were so kind in welcoming me into the family. You always had a warm hug, huge smile and game of Murder Marbles waiting for me. I never minded losing to you because the games were so fun! I loved getting your recipes, corresponding over Facebook because we were so far away and always talking about those 4th of July fireworks! 😭 I will miss you so, so, so much. You are so loved and so missed more than you could ever imagine. I am privileged beyond words to have ever spent time with you and I will remember it always. I love you.*

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**Kathy Skrdlant** - April 03, 2023 at 08:05 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Norma "Francey" Gangwish.



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April 03, 2023 at 07:51 AM