



## Velma "Charlene" Akers Hight

June 2, 1927 - August 24, 2018

Velma "Charlene" Akers Hight died peacefully in Sarasota on August 24, 2018.

She was born on June 2, 1927, in West Virginia, and moved to the area in 1976 with her husband and family from Tampa. In her early years, she studied in Richmond, Virginia to become a Registered Nurse (RN), and worked in hospitals in several locations over her lifetime including the Tampa area. She worked as the office manager for her husband's business when they moved Sarasota until their retirement. She was active in the Incarnation Women's Club, volunteered at the Pines for many years, and played bridge frequently with friends in multiple bridge groups in the area.

Mrs. Hight was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years, Richard E. Hight, her son, Douglas A. Hight, and her brothers Seibert Akers and Eugene Akers. Survivors include a daughter, Janice E. Hight of Eden Prairie, MN; a son, Richard E. Hight, Jr. of Hammond, LA; and five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A memorial Mass will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 4th, at Church of the Incarnation. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Incarnation Catholic Grade School, 2929 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota FL 34239.