



## Annie Cunningham

January 30, 1925 - January 5, 2018

Annie Gardner Cunningham, 92, Goshen, died at 7:35 p.m., Friday, January 5, 2018 at Goshen Hospital. She was born January 30, 1925 in Hartford, Kansas to Samuel Ray and Emilie June (Milner) Gardner. On September 13, 1947 Annie married Gordon K. Cunningham. Surviving are her husband, Gordon, and son, David (Jane), Goshen, Indiana, three grandsons: Aaron (Carmen), Goshen, Andrew (Heather), Nappanee, Indiana, and Kevin, New York City, New York, four great-grandchildren: Elizabeth, Isaac, Kaden, and Riley, one sister, Julia Frances (Philip) George, Lebo, Kansas and one brother, Daniel Gardner, Hartford, Kansas. She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Eldon Lloyd "EC" Cunningham.

Annie and Gordon lived most of their lives in Kansas, and moved to Greencroft in Goshen in September 2012. She was a long time member of the Methodist church, most recently the First United Methodist Church of Goshen. For many years she taught four and five year old Sunday school children. Gordon and Annie were church youth counselors for several years.

Annie graduated from Kansas State University in 1947 with a degree in Dietetics and Institutional Management. She interned at Grace Smith Cafeteria in Toledo, Ohio, and earned certification from the National Restaurant Association. She taught for a short time at the University, was a home economist for Kansas Power and Light and later was a partner with Gordon in the family business for 36 years just prior to moving to Goshen.

She felt strongly about her role as a wife and mother devoting herself fully to the care and nurturing of her family. She showed her love to family and others through her gourmet cooking and baking.

Annie was a member and held various offices in the Riley County Genealogical Society and the Kansas Genealogical Society. She also was an active member and held offices in the National Society of the Daughters of the American Colonists. She was a proud member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants proving her direct lineage back

to Mayflower passenger, George Sole.

Visitation will be 6-8 p.m. Friday, January 26, 2018 at Metzler Meeting House, Greencroft and one hour prior to the 11 a.m. memorial service Saturday, January 27, 2018 at First United Methodist Church, 214 S 5th St, Goshen.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church or Friends of the Konza Prairie, Manhattan, Kansas.

Burial will be at a later date in Hartford Cemetery, Hartford, Kansas

Rieth-Rohrer-Ehret Funeral Home, Goshen, is handling arrangements and online condolences may be sent at [www.rrefh.com](http://www.rrefh.com)

# Events

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**JAN** **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Metzler Meeting House

1225 Greencroft Dr., Goshen, IN, US

**JAN** **Memorial Service** 11:00AM

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First United Methodist Church

214 S. 5th St., Goshen, IN, US

# Comments

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“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Annie Cunningham.



January 25, 2018 at 02:59 PM

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“ We were neighbors of Annie and Gordon when we lived on Overlook Street in Manhattan, and they were the loveliest, kindest neighbors anyone could hope for. Annie epitomized grace and thoughtfulness. I admired their devotion and partnership as a couple, and as business owners. I know the family will feel her loss keenly, and we wanted you to know that the Sisley family will always have fond memories of Annie, Gordon, and the “partridge in a pear tree” decoration that we looked for every Christmas, even after we moved from that neighborhood! Take care.

Lisa and Ken Sisley

**Lisa Sisley** - January 23, 2018 at 06:34 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Annie Cunningham.



January 21, 2018 at 08:32 PM

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“ I was so sorry to hear about Annie’s passing! Gordon, you and Annie were always two of my favorite customers at Blueville and I have missed seeing you both since your move to Indiana. I think that Annie was one of the most gentle and kind people I have ever known and she always brought a smile to my face. She was so positive and such a caring person too. Her loss will be felt deeply by many. I hope your many memories will bring comfort to you and your family. With deepest sympathy, Lesa Sailor

**Lesa Sailor** - January 19, 2018 at 08:48 PM

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“ Gordon--sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family.  
Chod & Sari Hedinger

**Chod Hedinger** - January 19, 2018 at 06:28 PM