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Survivors include her children: Timothy P. (Cindy) of Bloomington, IL, Mark A. (Chris) of Iowa City, IA, Daniel H. (Susan) of Urbandale, IA; Mary M. (Alex) Werndt of Cedar Rapids, IA, and Therese M. (Dave) Morgan of Ankeny, IA; grandchildren, Jessica, Bobby (Becca), Zac, Ben, Margaret “Meg”, Emilie, Christian, Matt, Tanner, Jared and Riley; a brother, Larry (Joyce) Foley of Summerfield, FL; a brother-in-law, Jack Davies of Bonita Springs, FL and sisters-in-law, Patricia “Patty” Walker of Champaign, IL. and Patricia “Pat” Foley of Davenport, IA. She was preceded in death by her husband Bob; parents, Lawrence and Alleen Foley; sisters, Beth Davies, Mary Catherine Foley, Rita Engelmann and her husband Dick, and Peggy VanCamp and her husband Vic; brothers, Donald L. Foley and his wife Bernie and Barry F. Foley; brothers-in-law, Tom Helm and his wife Joan and George Walker husband to Patty, and a grandson, Jacob Andrew Johnson (Dan and Susan). May they rest in peace.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Bird House in Iowa City, Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Church or the American Cancer Society - Lung Cancer Research. Online condolences are welcome at www.ilescares.com.

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We would like to thank all of the doctors and their teams at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Holden Cancer Center, The Bird House and Hospice of Iowa City, and all of mom’s friends and family for all of your care, love and support. You are all truly a blessing!