



Frances Wakeling

August 16, 1921 - July 13, 2021

Frances Wakeling nee Shields, was born August 16th 1921, in Portsmouth, Hampshire.

Her paternal grandfather and father both served England in the Royal Navy, in World War I and World War II respectively.

Frances also contributed to the war effort during World War II in the Portsmouth Dockyard during the day as a machinist, and volunteering as an ambulance attendant by night.

In 2006, at the age of 85, Frances and husband John Wakeling, a career Chief Petty Officer in the Royal Navy, emigrated to Las Vegas, Nevada in the United States to retire and joined their daughter Glynis and her family. Their son Graham, a retired member of the Royal Air Force, along with his wife Carol, their grandchildren and great grandchildren still reside in England. Frances and John were married almost 71 years and enjoyed ballroom dancing for many years on both sides of the Atlantic.

Together on earth for over 70 years, reunited again in heaven for eternity, still waltzing in the courts of Praise. Amen.

God looked around his garden
And found an empty place,
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you

And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering
He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills were hard to climb.
So He close your weary eyelids
And whispered, 'Peace be thine'.
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

Tribute Wall

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“ Mummy, I'm so grateful to have had the privilege of taking care of you and Daddy at the end of life's journey. We travelled, we celebrated Birthdays and your 70th Wedding Anniversary. Oh so close to your 100th Birthday. But reunited in Heaven, you and Daddy are waltzing again in the Courts of Praise, waiting for the rest of us to join you. Love and miss you both. But smiling when I remember funny episodes we shared together. Glynis.

Glynis Tiso - July 24, 2021 at 11:58 AM

GW

“ An amazing women and Mother whom I respected and was very proud of for her simple ways of life. I am proud to have been your son and shall miss you dearly Mum. I am so sorry I was unable to be with you as your time drew close. I am so glad that my sister Glynis was with you to hold your hand and stroke your hair as you slipped quietly away to leave this realm and start your journey onward to a better place. Love you for ever in my lifetime. Be at peace now.
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Graham Wakeling - July 23, 2021 at 03:21 PM

JB

“ Sending all our love to the whole of the Wakeling Family, especially Graham and Glynis. We have nothing but happy memories of Frances. We so wished to be on a zoom call across the waters to celebrate her 100th Birthday in August like we had done for her 99th but it just wasn't to be. We think she wanted to spend it with John, reunited again. May she rest in peace and rise in glory x

Jo Brooks - July 22, 2021 at 03:10 PM

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“ *Frances and John would visit the Welsh side of the family and I have memories of her as a lovely, happy lady. I remember days on the beach on the Gower Peninsula, a camping holiday in North Wales and visiting them (and their Boxer dog, Heidi) in Chesterfield.*

Tanya Long - July 22, 2021 at 02:49 PM