

## Kirsten Eastergard Cundiff, 69

CLEARWATER, FL --

Kirsten Eastergard Cundiff, 69, of Clearwater, FL, went home to the loving arms of the Father on Saturday, November 16, 2013. She experienced sudden cardiac arrest while a patient at Morton Plant Hospital in Clearwater. She is survived and loved by her husband, Dr. Robert S. Cundiff, of Clearwater; her mother, Edith Eastergard of Waterloo; brothers, George Eastergard and Dr. Alf Eastergard; sister, Annette Wilson, of Harlan; many nieces and nephews; cousins in Den-



mark. Her husband wrote a remembrance of her on the Web at [www.drbothere.wordpress.com](http://www.drbothere.wordpress.com), where individuals from around the world who knew and loved her have posted comments.

Kirsten was a wonderful woman, wife, sister, daughter, friend, teacher and servant of Jesus Christ. Born in Copenhagen, Denmark, she immigrated with her immediate family to the United States in 1948. Until her marriage, she resided with her family in Harlan.

Kirsten married Dr. Bob in 1970, was a graduate of Harlan High School, Bob Jones University with a BA in Bible and MA in Christian Education. She completed cosmetology studies in Council Bluffs, and practiced in Harlan and Greenville, SC. After she married, she had only one customer for 43 years—her husband. She held a permanent license to teach in public secondary schools in Iowa.

A veteran college English teacher, Kirsten taught at Bob Jones University, Pillsbury Baptist Bible College, and Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, and briefly for Clearwater Christian College. She loved her church, Lakeside Community Chapel, where she taught English for two years at Lakeside Christian School. One of her greatest gifts was giving. She gave of her time, her energy and her belongings to help others. Whether it was giant cookies or chocolate covered strawberries for her husband's play cast, or helping a homeless Vietnam Air Force veteran to have food and clothes, she was known all her life, by those who knew her, of her generous spirit. People who crossed her path every day heard her talk about salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. She was thrilled to see and hear of others who had become followers of Christ. Praying and Bible reading were two great habits she developed. She believed in the importance of personal, constant prayer in your life. The family is planning to announce soon a memorial fund in her honor, where funds can be contributed to help feed needy individuals and families.

A family memorial is planned for summer, 2014, in Iowa.