Mrs. Farrar, 88, of Lebanon, died Friday, Jan. 11, 2013, in a single-car accident near her home. Born Dec. 13, 1924, in Orange County, IN, Grace was the younger daughter of Elva & Martha Thayer Johnson. In 1942, Grace graduated as high school valedictorian.

She received her nursing diploma from Bethesda Hospital, Cincinnati, OH, in 1946, a member of the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps, then received a B.S. in Home Economics from Harding College, Searcy, Arkansas, in 1948.

She married Henry C. Farrar Jr. of Nashville on Dec. 2, 1950. He died in 2010.
Grace and her family lived in southeastern Nigeria several years, establishing Nigerian Christian Hospital. In decades following, they lived in Tanzania and China and made numerous shorter mission trips to Nigeria and Cameroon.

They lived near Lebanon since 1986, with Dr. Henry Farrar serving as physician in both Lebanon and Carthage. Mrs. Farrar authored a book on her first years in Nigeria and presented across the country. Two honors received were Outstanding Alumnus of the Harding University School of Nursing (2010) and ”Woman of Hope” by Healing Hands International (2013).

Survivors include: six children, Paul (Dr. Gail) Farrar of Mississippi, Dr. Martha “Marty” (Dr. Ronald) Highfield of California, Dr. David (Patcharee) Farrar of Ohio, Dr. Henry “Hank” Farrar III of Arkansas, Lee (Lee Ann) Farrar of Tennessee, and Samantha (Stephen) Hayner of Texas; younger brother, Emery Johnson of Indiana; and seven grandchildren.

The memorial and celebration of Grace Farrar’s life will take place 3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan 26, at College Hills Church of Christ in Lebanon. Visitation will also be at the church Saturday, from 12 Noon until the service.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to African Christian Hospitals (102 N. Locust, Searcy, AR 72143), Pioneer Bible Translators (521 Buckingham Place, DeSoto, TX 75115), Harding University College of Nursing (Box 12238, Searcy, AR 72149) or Healing Hands International (455 McNally Drive, Nashville, TN 37211).

Partlow Funeral Chapel of Lebanon is in charge of arrangements