



## Elinor Sheehan

October 29, 1923 - October 28, 2019

Elinor Sheehan, 95, of Bloomington, passed away on Monday, October 28, 2019 at IU Health Bloomington Hospital. She was born on October 29, 1923 in Wichita, Kansas; the daughter of Charles W. and Gladys (Adamson) Popkins.

Elinor obtained her Bachelor's degree in Arts and Sciences from Indiana University. She worked as an Administrative Professional for 25 years with the Indiana University Schools of Journalism and Business. Elinor volunteered with Meals on Wheels and worked with League of Women Voters. She enjoyed traveling, especially throughout Europe and Hawaii and reading as a part of the Great Books Reading Group. Elinor had an enthusiasm for learning and maintained a level of clarity throughout her life. She loved learning new languages, which included French, German, and Spanish, and enjoyed classic cinema. Elinor was a devoted, loving mother and grandmother who was formative in the upbringing of her three sons and her two grandsons.

Elinor is survived by her sons, Mark (Kathy) Sheehan, Terry Sheehan, and Matt Sheehan; grandsons, David (Katy Lengacher) Sheehan and Michael Sheehan; and great-granddaughter, Sagan Sylvester.

She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, Dean W. Popkins and Gloria L. Smith.

A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, November 1, 2019 at Valhalla Memory Gardens, 310 N. Johnson Ave. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington have been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences, photos, and memories may be shared with family and friends at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

# Events

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**NOV** **Graveside Service** 02:00PM

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Valhalla Memory Gardens  
310 North Johnson Ave., Bloomington, IN, US, 47401

# Comments

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“ I am so sorry for your loss.



Lori Ryder (Hovious) - October 31, 2019 at 04:30 PM

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“ To the Family of Elinor,

I am so sorry about your dear Mother. She was an inspiration to me. She was our neighbor for over twenty-nine years. My husband met his match when playing scrabble with your Mom. We would have many conversations when she was tending her lovely garden, and I mine. I always thought her backyard was like a secret garden. She was so proud of her tree in the back that I thought her sons purchased and planted for her. When we moved in we had a fence that we took down, she was funny with her statement, "Fences do not make for good neighbors, when they are as kind as you." My brother-in-law Mike Butcher came over one afternoon and I took him over there to say hello to her. She was delighted to see him, even after we got her up from an afternoon nap. You were excellent stewards. I would hear one of you talking with her on the porch for hours quite often. I lost my husband a few years ago and she was so kind in her remembrance of Derek. She was an amazing woman. One day short of being 96. All my sympathy.  
Kim

Kim Vint - October 31, 2019 at 03:10 PM

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“ Mark;  
You mother certainly lived a wonderful long life. No matter what age the it is hard to lose you mother. I lost both my parents in 2011 so I certainly sympathize.  
You geometry class buddy from long ago.  
Jim Johnson

JAMES JOHNSON - October 31, 2019 at 02:37 PM

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“ Please accept my deepest condolences at the passing of your mom. She was a wonderful woman who was loved and respected by all.

**Pamela Armour** - October 31, 2019 at 12:57 PM