



Marilyn Kendall Schroeder

September 16, 1950 - December 16, 2019

Marilyn Kendall Schroeder, 69, of Bloomington, IN passed away peacefully on December 16, 2019. Marilyn was born on September 16, 1950 (Mexican Independence Day) in Huntingburg, IN, to Clarence and Philomena (Schmidt) Kendall. Marilyn would recount many stories about her Kendall/Schmidt family, growing up with her brother Charles (Carolynn), and watching her father play guitar in the local band.

Marilyn had a lifelong passion for academics. Upon graduation in 1968 (salutatorian) from Huntingburg High School, she moved to Bloomington and enrolled at Indiana University. While at IU during the Vietnam era, she made numerous lifelong friends, participated on the J Board, and served in various leadership positions for her dormitory, McNutt. Marilyn graduated in 1972 with a bachelor's in mathematics education where she was one of few women that took the higher level mathematics courses. Throughout her life, she completed numerous certificate programs and ultimately completed her Master's at Ball State University in 2005.

Marilyn decided to pursue a career as a statistician supporting the US Military for over 35 years at both Ft. Knox and NSA CRANE. She worked for both NAPEC and DP with many amazing people that were lifelong friends. Marilyn would recount many different stories about how she completed training on how to operate tanks, performed war game simulations during the heart of the Cold War, and worked on many different databases that helped to increase the efficiency/effectiveness of services for our military. Marilyn was truly a pioneer being one of the few women that followed her career path in the 1970/80s.

When Marilyn moved back to Bloomington in the late 1970s, she met the love of her life, Joseph W. Schroeder. Their first date was at the College Mall where they had dinner at MCL Cafeteria and saw the movie "The Jerk." Their mutual love for academics drew them together and they were truly intellectual equals. They were married on July 26, 1980 and their son, Joseph H., was born on August 10, 1981. They were both loving parents that were devoted to instilling their passion for academics and ensuring that their son would not drown at summer camp.

Marilyn has had a profound impact on many friends and family throughout her life. She was incredibly patient and had an open heart for everyone, no matter who they were or where they came from. Her diversity in knowledge and keen intellect made her a joy to

talk with on any issue of the day. She was selfless and always put family and friends above herself. It is these attributes that we will all miss the most.

Marilyn is survived by her son, Joseph H. Schroeder (Amanda), grandsons Maxwell and Benjamin Schroeder, brother Charles (Carolynn) Kendall, and many nieces and nephews: Missy Cox (Ryan and son Reid), Ryan and Colin Blocki, and the Schroeder's; Kathleen, Kristen, Michael A., Nicholas and Michael D.

Marilyn is preceded in death by her husband Joseph W., and parents, Clarence and Philomena Kendall.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 21, 2019 at St. Paul's Catholic Center, 1413 E. 17th Street, Bloomington. Burial will take place at Fairmount Cemetery, 906 South Main Street, Huntingburg, IN at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 21, 2019. Family will receive friends from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, December 20, 2019 at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until the time of Mass.

In lieu of flowers, the family of Marilyn Kendall Schroeder requests donations be made in her memory to a scholarship fund at the IU Foundation. Please make memorial gifts payable to IU Foundation and indicate "In memory of Marilyn Schroeder" on your gift. Mail to: IU Foundation, P.O. Box 6460, Indianapolis, IN 46206-6460. Online donations can may be made using the following instructions.

Go to <https://www.myiu.org/one-time-gift>

In the bottom box, type in "O'Neill Memorial" and hit "Add write in gift"

Hit "Next" button

Type in Donation amount and add "Marilyn Schroeder" in box for "Gift in memory of"

Hit "Review" button and then follow the additional instructions

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com

Events

DEC 20 **Visitation** 04:00PM - 08:00PM

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, IN, US, 47401

DEC 21 **Visitation** 09:00AM - 10:00AM

St Paul Catholic
1413 E 17th St, Bloomington, IN, US, 47408

DEC 21 **Mass of Christian Burial** 10:00AM

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Comments



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Marilyn Kendall Schroeder.



December 20, 2019 at 12:19 PM



“ Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Marilyn Kendall Schroeder.



December 19, 2019 at 11:19 PM



“ Healing Tears - Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Marilyn Kendall Schroeder.



December 19, 2019 at 09:18 PM



“ Marilyn was a wonderful person and friend. she tutored two of my girls in algebra. She had a beautiful personality. I had the privilege of working with her one summer while she was still in college.

Anna Kemper-Smith

Anna Kemper-Smith - December 19, 2019 at 02:38 PM



“ I worked with Marilyn at NSA Crane. She always had a smile on her face and was always so eager to help fellow Crane employees as myself with issues with databases she managed. I was always delighted with the names she would give them, such as "Granddaddy". This would add humor to this mundane work and make it almost fun. I will never forget that. Nor will I ever forget her. Rest in peace Marilyn. And to Marilyn's family, please accept my heartfelt sympathy, she was a great lady!

Rick Streicher
Jasper, I

Richard Streicher - December 19, 2019 at 12:38 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Marilyn Kendall Schroeder.



December 19, 2019 at 11:11 AM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Marilyn Kendall Schroeder.



December 19, 2019 at 10:09 AM



“ I have known Marilyn and her late husband, Joseph W. and their son, Joseph H. Both father and son took piano lessons from me many years ago. This is a wonderful family.
My heartfelt condolences to Joseph H. and his family. Peg Albertson

Peg Albertson - December 18, 2019 at 05:21 PM



“ Steve, Adam, Patrick, and Chamuel Cassady purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Marilyn Kendall Schroeder.



Steve, Adam, Patrick, and Chamuel Cassady - December 18, 2019 at 01:13 AM



“ I loved Marilyn. We worked closely at NAPEC and I did so enjoy being around her. I had not been in touch with her for many years, but I've never forgotten her. Please accept my heartfelt condolences.
Lynne Speer

Lynne Speer - December 17, 2019 at 03:26 PM