



Ellen Patten Townsend

July 22, 1947 - August 16, 2022

Ellen Patten Townsend was born to Leonard and Alice (Huggins) Patten in Bedford Indiana in 1947. She graduated from Bedford High School in 1965 lived her entire adult life in Bloomington.

In the 1980s she worked as a veterinary assistant at Eastside Animal Hospital and then Combs Veterinary Clinic before returning to IU to finish a degree in Education specializing in computers, reading, and English. She worked at the Indiana University Student Academic Center and then at MCCSC as a long-term substitute and reading aide. She volunteered in schools, 4h clubs, and was Hoosier Youth philharmonic Booster President for two years.

She loved dogs, cats, and horses, traveling with her daughter, art, and books.

Ellen is survived by daughter Sarah Townsend of Bloomington, son Aaron Sparks of Terre Haute, brother Butch (Cathy) Patten of Bedford, several nieces and nephews, and Lola the Welsh Terrier. She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Melody Raines and by two husbands Daniel Sparks (1971) and Fred Townsend (2013).

A funeral service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 27, 2022, at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 South Old State Road 37, Bloomington. Family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. until the time of

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

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 27. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Bloomington, IN 47401
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Service

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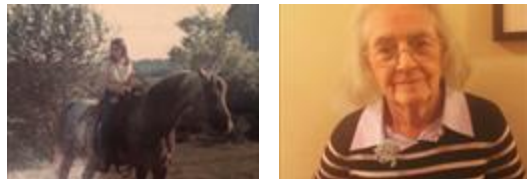


“ I met Ellen at Sarah's show a few years ago, and was happy to see her again at a show I held a couple of years later, when Ellen and Sarah trekked from Bloomington to Chicago to help me with the show. What I remember most about her is that she was wonderfully soft-spoken and just a super sweet, kind lady. My heart goes out to Sarah and her family for the loss of such a lovely person.

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