



## Jean Stoner

June 14, 1933 - October 18, 2018

Jean Stoner, 85, of Bloomington, Indiana passed away on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at Hearthstone Health Campus. She was born on June 14, 1933, in Llanfairfechan, Wales, daughter of Benjamin and Mary Jane (Hughes) Williams.

Jean grew up in Northern Wales during a time of conflict and sacrifice; she loved to remind her children of the rationing that extended beyond WWII into the 1950's. At a young age she learned to mend her brothers' clothes, which earned her spending money to go to the movies. She attended nursing school and worked in a children's hospital in Liverpool before coming to the US in 1958 on a two year program to practice nursing in Chicago. This plan became permanent when she met her future husband, Dr. Harold E Stoner MD, at Cook County Hospital. They were married on September 10, 1960 and later moved to Bloomington, IN in 1967.

In the 1980s Jean revisited her passion for the theater and enrolled in acting and playwriting classes at the IU Theater Department; one of her plays was chosen for presentation at the American College Theater Festival in Kalamazoo, MI. She performed at Brown County Playhouse in "Under the Gaslight", acted in and directed productions for Bloomington Town Theater, and designed and crafted beautiful costumes for Town Theater, Bloomington HS North productions, and collaborations with Acting Up Children's Theater. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Dr. Harold E Stoner, sisters Mair, and Priscilla, and brothers Will and Ben.

She is survived by her children Denise S Barone (Doug), Harold LI Stoner, Erika Stoner-Edelberg (Tom), and Fiona Stoner (Heather Good) and grandchildren, Meredith, Nathaniel, and Lucy.

Jean was a voracious reader, loved classic movies, had an insatiable curiosity and enjoyed good conversations right up until the end of her life. She is already greatly missed by her family and friends. Her family is grateful for the love and care she received from Heart to Heart Hospice and the nurses and staff at Hearthstone Health Campus.

A celebration of life will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 17, 2018 at First Presbyterian Church, 221 East Sixth Street Bloomington, IN 47408. Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, have been entrusted with arrangements. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

NOV 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church  
221 E 6th St  
Bloomington, IN 47408-3596  
(812) 332-1514

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fields of Europe was purchased for the family of Jean Stoner.*



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November 13, 2018 at 01:46 PM



“ *Lavender Dreams was purchased for the family of Jean Stoner.*



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November 13, 2018 at 01:36 PM

MW

“ I will miss my Aunty Jean greatly. We shared a birthday and spoke to each other on the phone due to me living in the UK. Recently I was able to see her by FaceTime. I even used this to show her around Conwy a town near where she grew up in N Wales. She still spoke fluent Welsh and I enjoyed speaking to her in her native language. I still remember my visit to see her with my Mother Priscilla when I was 6, when her son Harold was born. It was my first time in an aeroplane.

The last time I saw her in person was in 2009 and was amazed by the intellectual conversations we had.

I hope she has been reunited with her husband and her Welsh family.

Love and thoughts to her children Denise, Harold, Erika and Fiona from Howard, Marilyn John, Edwina, Rhiannon, Bethan, Debbie, Dave, Iwan and Sion.

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**Marilyn Watkins** - November 13, 2018 at 01:28 PM



“ White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Jean Stoner.



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November 07, 2018 at 12:23 PM

VL

“ Tom and Erica: So sad to hear of the passing of your mother Jean. Your good memories will be with you forever. God Bless - Vicky

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**Vicky Lewis** - October 24, 2018 at 09:39 AM