



Marie Swanson

May 20, 1921 - March 24, 2017

Marie Manda Swanson, 95, of Bloomington, Indiana, passed away at home on March 24, 2017.

She was born in Orange, NJ, to Catherine (Beirne) Manda and William Manda on May 20, 1921 and was a graduate of East Orange High School and Katharine Gibbs College. She worked in New York City as an Executive Secretary prior to her marriage to Robert M. Swanson, Sr. on May 25, 1946. While her children were young, she was a member of the La Leche League. Later, she was a member of the Faculty Wives Club at Ball State University, where her husband taught. She was also active at St. Mary's Catholic Church and a volunteer at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, Indiana. After Robert Swanson retired, they traveled in Europe, Canada, and Scandinavia and relocated to Bloomington where they were active members of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church. Marie was a talented and creative seamstress, tailor, baker, and cook, much to the delight of family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her son, Robert M, Swanson, Jr. She is survived by her daughters, Catherine Swanson, Mary Ann Swanson, and Christina Swanson, her daughter-in-law, Dee Swanson, and her grandchildren, Olivia (Swanson) Oleson, Christa Parkes, Jackie Parkes, and Shea Parkes, as well as numerous members of a wider family. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Bloomington on Saturday, April 1, 2017, at 11:00 am. Visitation is at 10 am at the church. 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.allencare.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
2222 East Third Street
Bloomington, IN 47401

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SB

“ *To the Swanson Children,*

I'm sorry to hear of the death of Marie. Our families were close friends years ago in Muncie. I was seeking you to tell you of the death of my Mother Ruth Black on February 7th 2017 at the age of 95. Her mass of Christian burial was March 11 at St. Mary's in Muncie. I am touched to note that your Mom and my Mom died within weeks of each other and at the same age. It was in seeking you out to inform you when I discovered the news of Marie. Our Mother's were best friends for many years. May they rediscover each other and share in the afterlife together in Heaven.

*Stephanie Black Brugger
Troy, Ohio*

Stephanie Black Brugger - April 06, 2017 at 09:07 PM

ML

“ *Tina,*

I hope warm memories you and your mother shared will bring you comfort today and throughout your life. You and your family are in my prayers.

Marilyn LoCascio

Marilyn LoCascio - April 01, 2017 at 10:15 AM

CH

“ *Tina, Jackie, and Christa,
So sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts
and prayers.*

Chiara Perry



chiara - March 31, 2017 at 05:09 AM

CS

“ *My deepest sympathy to Catherine, Mary Ann and Christina on the
loss of your mother. She was such a sweet and kind lady. Brings
back so many memories of being at your parents home when I was
in elementary school. My thoughts and prayers are with you during
this difficult time.*

Cindy (Lands) Spears

Cindy (Lands) Spears - March 30, 2017 at 09:21 AM

JG

“ Dear Christina,

You mom lived a good, long life. I remember her and your dad with much fondness. It's a blessing that Christa, Jackie and Shea had their grandma in their lives all these years. I hope we keep in touch. Someone put me on Facebook but I never go there so maybe you'll email me occasionally? In the coming months I hope to sort through hundreds, probably thousands, of old photos and send them to those who may want them.



Dayde put Fred's ashes in the "game room" and put a hat on his ash box so he could "see everything that goes on". So put a bonnet on your mom's urn and keep her in your life.

Much love, Jane

Jane Ginther - March 29, 2017 at 06:52 PM

PA

“ Marie was a warm and friendly lady. She always invited me to sit with her in church when I was alone. It always felt good to be in her presence. She was a nurturing and supportive person, one who left the world a better place because she had been a part of it. Blessings and condolences to her family! Peg Albertson

Peg Albertson - March 29, 2017 at 05:39 PM

BS

“ Marie and Bob were wonderful, welcoming people. I enjoyed their company and their encouragement. Missed them when they left St. Mary's for Bloomington. Billie Sheppard

Billie Sheppard - March 29, 2017 at 08:27 AM