



## Mary Blanche Martin

October 31, 1926 - November 12, 2017

Mary Blanche Martin, 91, of Bloomington, passed away on Sunday, November 12, 2017, at IU Health Bloomington Hospice House. She was born on October 31, 1926 in Bloomington, the daughter of John and Irene Belle Hardin.

Blanche graduated from Bloomington High School and then from Indiana Business College in Indianapolis. She began her career as a legal secretary with Sylvan Tackitt. She later went on to work for Jones and McGlasson as a legal secretary until her retirement following 60 years of service.

Blanche was a member of Clear Creek Christian Church, the American Legion Axillary, and a past member of Willing Workers Home Economics Club.

Blanche enjoyed reading, and her time traveling with her sister-in-law, Phyllis, and their Happy Travelers Club which took them to various locations, including Florida and Hawaii. Blanche loved spending quality time with her grandchildren and visiting with her sister-in-law, Betty.

Blanche is survived by her children, Jeanne (Jerry) Hays, Jo Eva (Paul) Freeman, and Tammy (Tom) Bangert; grandchildren, Dan, David, Mark, Carrie, Jessica, Luke, and Andy; great-grandchildren, Austin, Emily, William, Michael, Macy, Riley, Izzy, Becca, and Grant; and sister-in-laws, Phyllis Gray and Betty Martin.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Joe Martin, and sister, Louise Branam.

Blanche's family would like to extend a sincere thank you to the staff at Brookdale for their excellent care of Blanche.

A funeral service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, November 17, 2017 at Clear Creek Christian Church. Pastor Glenn Hughes will officiate. Burial will follow at Valhalla Memory Gardens. Family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Blanche's memory to IU Health Bloomington Hospice House. 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 Blanche's family at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Clear Creek Christian Church  
530 W Church Ln  
Bloomington, IN 47403  
(812) 824-2566

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

JR

“ *I remember your Mother well. Such a sweet lady. My prayers and thoughts to you my friends. Your old friend from childhood. Janette Abbitt Robertson.*

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**Janette Abbitt Robertson** - November 17, 2017 at 05:10 AM

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“ *Thoughts and Prayers be with you and your Family in these times. Praise to God that we can all be together again on the Winning side !!!  
The Vest Family*

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**Tim** - November 16, 2017 at 10:47 AM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Mary Blanche Martin.*



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November 16, 2017 at 09:38 AM

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“ *My heart is heavy, I worked on Blanche's nails for seven years. I enjoyed her stories and her sharing her love of books. I will miss her dearly. Heaven has gained a sweet woman.*

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**Sheila Manson** - November 14, 2017 at 12:31 PM



“ *Mother - Angel Figurine, 8.5 in was purchased for the family of Mary Blanche Martin.*



November 14, 2017 at 09:50 AM



“ *Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Pink & White was purchased for the family of Mary Blanche Martin.*



November 14, 2017 at 09:05 AM



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**Jody** - November 13, 2017 at 05:01 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of the Loss of your mother-in-law. She was such a lovely woman. It was a pleasure knowing her.*  
*Linda Quillen*  
*Action Property Mgmt. & Realty*

**Linda Quillen** - November 13, 2017 at 02:37 PM

LF

“ So sorry to read about *Blanche*. Always enjoyed her on our *Happy Travelers* trips!

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**Linda. Fitzpatrick** - November 13, 2017 at 02:12 PM