



## Maxine Joan Hutchens

January 19, 1932 - May 21, 2024

Maxine J. Hutchens, of Hobart, Indiana passed away May 21, 2024. She was born January 19, 1932, in South Bend, Indiana and raised by her loving parents Theodora and Herbert Bercaw. Maxine met Robert T. “Hutch” Hutchens on the front steps of First United Methodist Church in Hobart, and they became long time Hobart residents. Maxine and Hutch were lovingly married for 62 years. In Maxine’s life she was very active in the church and was even baptized along with her grandsons. She enjoyed spending time with her family, walking the lake front along Lake George, and spending time at Bass Lake in their family cabin. She always enjoyed Sunday morning breakfast after church with Hutch with the grandkids. Family and tradition were very important to Maxine, and she made a lifetime of wonderful memories for her children and grandchildren, even if it was something as simple as playing Yahtzee, 10,000, solitaire or doing a crossword puzzle. She loved to get ready for all the big holidays. Another favorite past time was shopping, especially for jewelry! She was a frequent customer at O’Dell-Smith in Hobart. She loved to travel and had visited several states visiting family but a few special places to note were the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem, Grand Canyon, Florida, Arizona, Disneyland California, Texas, Tennessee, and Canada.

Maxine is preceded in death by her parents; Herbert Bercaw and Theodora Dena Bercaw, husband; Robert T. “Hutch” Hutchens, biological mother; Evelyn Lorraine Phillips, and siblings; Mary Katherine, Robert Lee, Margret,

Neil, Russell, Mearl, Victor. Grandson; Dustin E. Oglesby.

She is survived by her 7 children; Robert "Bobby" Paul (Chris) Hutchens, Mark (Carrie) Hutchens, Dean Hutchens, David (Rhonda) Hutchens, Craig Hutchens, Karen (Jim) Long, Daryl (Gladys) Hutchens. Grandchildren; Shanon (Dan) Mekola, Chad (Christian) Hutchens, Wade (Cassie) Oglesby, Britney (Adam) Martin, Jakob (Kayla) Oglesby, Jamie (Kat) Long, Shelby (Tamara) Long, Kyle Long, Adrian Long, Jeff (Alli) Hutchens, Talea (Ian) Miser, Faith (Tyler) Milton, Nolan Hutchens, 27 great grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandchild.

A visitation will be held on Friday, May 24, 2024, from 4 PM – 6 PM with a time of sharing at 6 PM at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory 701 East 7th Street Hobart, Indiana 46342. In lieu of flowers please make a donation in Maxine's memory to your charity of choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Memorial Park

3815 W.39th Ave.  
Hobart, IN 46342

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **24.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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## Time of Sharing

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# Tribute Wall

SL

“ I am a volunteer driver with Meals On Wheels and had the pleasure of seeing Maxine every Thursday for the past couple of years. She had the most beautiful smile that exuded love and kindness! She would blow me kisses or give me an air hug through the front window. ❤️

To her family and everyone that loved her: I'm so sorry for your loss. May her memory be eternal.

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**Susan Lee** - June 07, 2024 at 01:38 AM

CO

She loved you and your bright colored shoes. Thank you for your kindness always to our grandma and the kids. You will always have a place in our hearts. ❤️

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**Cassie Oglesby** - June 16, 2024 at 02:05 PM

CO

“ Thank you for your endless love and compassion. For always being there for not only Wade and myself, but for our children too. They were truly blessed to not only have a great grandma, but for you to be their great grandma. You were and always will be one of a kind. I thanked God everyday I got to spend with you and our time spent together. Until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand..

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**Cassie Oglesby** - May 24, 2024 at 09:59 PM

DH

“ Dave and Rhonda Hutchens purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Maxine Joan Hutchens.



Dave and Rhonda Hutchens - May 23, 2024 at 05:16 PM

LS

“ Maxine and Hutch back together again I'm sure he was waiting with his arms wide open. Maxine you will be so missed but you are in such a much better place now. I love you. Lori Spivey

Lori Spivey - May 23, 2024 at 03:54 PM

KD

Thank you Lori 💕  
We grew up with each other's parents. There's a whole lot of years there.

Karen Long Daughter - May 23, 2024 at 05:56 PM

TK

“ The Cannon Kids, Ben and Maggie Kingery planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maxine Joan Hutchens.

The Cannon Kids, Ben and Maggie Kingery - May 23, 2024 at 03:09 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Maxine Joan Hutchens.



May 23, 2024 at 03:09 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maxine Joan Hutchens.



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May 23, 2024 at 02:19 PM



“ 58 years of memories come flooding back. Every part of me knows that you did the very best that you could raising 6 boys and 1 girl we weren't an easy bunch that's for sure! But I'm grateful. I'm glad God chose you to be my mom. I love you for all time Ma 🕊️🙏

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**Karen Long Daughter** - May 23, 2024 at 11:52 AM



“ Denise Perry sent a virtual gift in memory of Maxine Joan Hutchens



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**Denise Perry** - May 22, 2024 at 06:01 PM