



## Sharon L. Robbins

June 25, 1930 - June 1, 2023

Sharon L. Robbins, (nee McCarrell), age 92, of Chesterton, IN, passed away peacefully on June 1, 2023. Sharon was born June 25, 1930, in Bedford, IN. She attended Bedford High School, where she served as the editor of the high school yearbook, and graduated just before her 17th birthday. She then matriculated to Indiana University and went on to graduate with a Bachelor's Degree in Library Science. Sharon was a member of the Delta Gamma sorority, and served on the staff of the Arbutus IU yearbook. On August 4, 1953, Sharon married the love of her life, Tyrie (Ty) Robbins, of Gary, IN, whom she had met at IU. They remained inseparable in marriage until Ty's passing on August 30, 2022. Sharon's professional passion was teaching English and Literature. Her first teaching job was at Gary Edison High School, later moving on to teach at Gary Wirt High School, and finally, after moving to Chesterton to raise her family, found herself a home at Chesterton High School, where she taught for 35 more years until her retirement. Along the way she received her Master's Degree in Education from Valparaiso University. Along with her dedication to teaching, Sharon was very active in the community. She was a member of the Tri Kappa sorority and the Chesterton Garden Club. She also served on the board of the Westchester Public Library for several years. Somehow, Sharon still found time to fulfill her two personal passions: gardening and Bridge. She pursued the game of Bridge with a zeal that led to her becoming a Life Master, the highest rank in U.S. contract bridge tournament play, and she selflessly spent countless hours

teaching others throughout the community to learn the game of Bridge. Along with Ty, she remained a loyal IU fan throughout the remainder of her life. Sharon was preceded in death by her parents, William and Judith McCarrell, and by her beloved husband, Tyrie, who passed in August of 2022. She was the oldest of three sisters, Patricia and Sara Lee, who both preceded her in death.

She is survived by her three children, Randy (Carolyn), of Colorado Springs, CO, Sally Werner, of Sarasota, FL, and Tom Robbins (Debbie), of Chesterton, IN. Sharon's grandchildren include Kira Heiser, of Morris, IL, Emily Werner, of Sarasota, FL, and M.J. Werner, of Michigan City, IN. She was also the proud great grandmother of Jessup and Jessie Jr. Heiser, of Morris, IL, and Jace, Stevie, and Steele Parsons, of Sarasota, FL. Sharon's family would like to express deep and profound thanks to the staff at Residences of Coffee Creek and Dunes Hospice. They treated and provided for Sharon with dignity and love, and cared well for her until the very end. In lieu of flowers the family asks that you make a donation to the Dunes Hospice Foundation and the Alzheimer's Association.

A memorial service to celebrate the lives of both Sharon and Tyrie will be held on July 20, 2023, from 4-6:00 p.m., at Burns Funeral Home, 701 East 7th Street, Hobart, IN. The family is inviting everyone to join them after the memorial service, from 7-9:00 p.m., at A.J.'s Pizzeria, 3050 Matson Drive, Chesterton, IN 46304, to reminisce once more about Sharon and Ty's life together. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL **20**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home - Hobart  
701 E. 7th Street  
Hobart, IN 46342  
(219) 942-1117  
info@burnsfuneral.com  
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

## Gathering of Family and Friends

JUL **20**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

A.J.'s Pizzeria  
3050 Matson Drive  
Chesterton, IN 46304

# Tribute Wall



“ Sharon's Bedford family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sharon L. Robbins.

Sharon's Bedford family - July 19, 2023 at 06:34 PM



“ Sharon's Bedford family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sharon L. Robbins.



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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sharon L. Robbins.



July 17, 2023 at 03:12 PM