



## Eloise R. Michael

April 9, 1919 - August 23, 2017

Eloise R. Michael, age 98, of Huntington, died at 6:40 p.m. Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at Tipton Place in Huntington.

Visitation will be from 1 - 3 p.m. Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana. Funeral services will immediately follow at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Rev. Bill Rapp officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery in Huntington.

Preferred memorials are to Trinity United Methodist Church Preschool, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana, 46750.

Eloise was born on April 9, 1919 in Bippus, the daughter of W. Albert and Irene (Aldridge) Bickel. She graduated from Bippus High School in 1937 and married John R. Michael on March 27, 1937 in Huntington County; he preceded her in death on December 4, 2000. Eloise was a homemaker and taught music in her home for many years. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Huntington, McDowell Music Club, and First Mothers Club.

Surviving are her son, Stephen J. (Ruth) Michael of Huntington, six grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, two sons, Christopher C. Michael and Thomas W. Michael,

and a brother, Allan Bickel.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Hope Cemetery

1700 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 29.** 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary  
35 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750  
(260) 356-1710  
wecare@baileylove.com  
<https://www.baileylove.com>

## Service

**AUG 29.** 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Eloise R. Michael



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - August 25, 2017 at 09:45 PM



“ Julie Mckinzie lit a candle in memory of Eloise R. Michael



Julie Mckinzie - September 17, 2017 at 12:59 AM



“ Elizabeth Miller lit a candle in memory of Eloise R. Michael



Elizabeth Miller - August 29, 2017 at 09:48 PM



Steve, so sorry for your loss. I know how hard this is for you but she is in Heaven now with your Dad and your brothers. She is happy and looking down at you and will always be their for you. Beth & John

Elizabeth Miller - August 29, 2017 at 09:53 PM

CG

“ *Eloise was a very important part of Trinity Pre-School. She devoted her time and talent to the children for many years. Eloise loved her family, her music and life! And we loved Eloise! She was a treasure.*

*Cheryl Greene*

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**Cheryl Greene** - August 28, 2017 at 07:18 PM

KH

“ *Steve and Ruth, Eloise meant much to me growing up. She and my Mom created those birthday parties for Chris and I. She helped me with my piano lessons. I was at your house more than my own. She was a special lady, and she will be missed.*

*Kay Sunderman Homier*

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**Kay Sunderman Homier** - August 28, 2017 at 11:18 AM

TF

“ *The Hawvermale's and the Thaci's families purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Eloise R. Michael.*



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**The Hawvermale's and the Thaci's families** - August 27, 2017 at 06:26 PM

TB

“ Steve and Family,

*We are sorry that Eloise has passed.*

*May your memories of a beautiful life bring comfort and peace.*

*Ted and Janet Bendall*

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**Ted Bendall** - August 26, 2017 at 03:05 PM

RW

“ *Your Mother played a very important part in my life! She taught me and my sisters to play the piano. She also let me pick most of my music. I enjoyed classical and played many pieces. I, out of all my sisters continued to play. Because of the skills she taught me it made band and choir much easier. I became a music teacher for 32 years and continue to play, sing and perform. Your brother Chris and I were good friends. I am so sorry for your loss but happy that she was able to live such a long life being an inspiration to many young people. You and your family will be in my prayers.*

*Rita Ackermann Weber*

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**Rita Weber** - August 25, 2017 at 09:25 PM

BL

“ 25 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary** - August 25, 2017 at 08:43 PM

JD

“ *I loved the piano lessons with Eloise. She was such a friendly lady. She loved her boys.*

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**Janet Wall DeWitt** - August 25, 2017 at 03:48 PM

JS

“Most of my favorite memories of Grandma are from their years in Washington DC. Our first day there, she always took us to the Toys-R-Us and let us select a game. One year I got "The Dating Game" and made Nate play with me until he was nauseous. We always did the Smithsonian, and she always let me see the Hope Diamond, which was my favorite exhibit. We went to a place called Wolf Trap every year that had outdoor music- and she packed a picnic for us. Followed by concerts at the Lincoln Memorial. Grandpa would end the evenings with reading a story- usually Bears of the Blue River- while we slept on the pullout leather couch. She bought Nate and I each Polaroid cameras one year- each expensive pack of film had 12 instant photos. We had to think about what we would take a picture of, and would spend the afternoon carefully photographing what we decided was worthy.

When I was a little older, she always cancelled her beauty shop appointments when I was visiting, and had me curl her hair for her, which she then sprayed in clouds of AquaNet and a couple spritzes of Jean Nate cologne. I thought she had selected it because it was Nate's name. She hung the beach towel off the balcony of the condo to tell us when to come in from the pool for lunch, fed us our weight in strawberry shortcake, and only scolded us when we threw cherry pits off the balcony to try to hit the pedestrians below. (She should also have scolded us for playing in the elevators, but I don't think she knew we were doing that). Those DC visits were paired with a couple weeks with our other grandparents on a southern Indiana farm in a cabin with an outhouse. The contrast made for wonderful childhood summers.

-Jenny

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Jenny Spencer - August 25, 2017 at 03:47 PM

MM

“ *When we short sheeted her bed and she didn't notice!* 😊

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**Matthew Michael** - August 25, 2017 at 03:27 PM

PP

“ *Steve and family so sorry for the loss of Eloise.  
One of our favorite memories was Eloise playing the piano at Matt's rehearsal party in Lake Tahoe.  
Bill Penny and family.*



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**Penny Plass** - August 25, 2017 at 10:32 AM