



Marilyn J. Sunderman

November 27, 1933 - September 15, 2021

Marilyn J. Sunderman, age 87, passed away at 1:20 am Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Marilyn was born November 27, 1933 in Huntington County to Vernon R. Brooking and Hilda (Shultz) Brooking. Marilyn was united in marriage to John R. Sunderman on September 9, 1956, at the Congregational Christian Church in Huntington.

Marilyn graduated from the Lancaster Township School in 1951 and she attended Huntington University. She was employed in the office of the former Majestic Company for 7 years. She enjoyed her role as Homemaker for many years.

Marilyn served on the board of the YMCA and Home Bound Meals. She was active in the Tri Kappa Sorority, First Mothers Club and Indiana Sorosis, and the P.E.O. Sisterhood. She is a member of the Chapel in Allen County. Marilyn enjoyed working with her flowers, going to the lake with her family, and she loved to travel with her husband.

Marilyn is survived by Daughters, Ann (Michael) Bonifas of Fort Wayne, and Sara (Matthew) Bolinger of West Lafayette; and Grandson, Evan Bonifas of Fort Wayne. She is preceded in death by her parents, Vernon R. Brooking and

Hilda (Shultz) Brooking and her husband, John R. Sunderman.

Visitation will be from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Monday, September 20, 2021 at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN. Funeral services will be held at 12:00 pm Monday, September 20, 2021 at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Rev. Bill Rapp officiating. Burial will be in Lancaster Cemetery in Huntington.

Preferred memorials may be made in memory of Marilyn to the Huntington YMCA OR Huntington University , in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com

Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Marilyn J. Sunderman.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 20. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

SEP 20. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

SEP 20 (ET)

Lancaster Cemetery
5559 S. 300 W.
Huntington, IN 46750

Tribute Wall

TS

“ To Marilyn's family and friends my thoughts and prayers are with you,
I enjoyed visiting with Marilyn when she came through my check out at Walmart.
She was a very nice lady!
Terry



Terry E Scher - September 21, 2021 at 10:10 PM

JM

“ To Marilyn's family, you have my sympathy at her passing. I met your mother by accident about two years ago. I was at my sons house(where I grew up) in Lancaster and this older woman pulled in the driveway. She introduced herself to my son and I and stated that her grandparents(Shultz) lived on the farm just to the west(now part of the Salamonie reservoir) and she told us how much she love to visit there when she was a child. She said that she had been out there a few times in recent years and parked at the gate and would walk down the old lane where the house used to be, which surprised me as the area is pretty wild and rugged since the State took over the land 50 years ago. I told your mother that I spent my childhood roaming the same land and I have great memories of the place. I wish I could have spent more time talking with her.

John Myers

John Myers - September 21, 2021 at 01:19 PM

JB

“ Sara, Ann and Evan our thoughts and prayers are with you today as you celebrate your mother's/grandmother's life. We have such wonderful memories of her smiling face and wonderful cooking, her kindness and thoughtfulness. With a bit of shyness, she shared a sly wit and beauty in and for life. We have great memories of evenings spent at Viking basketball games with them and Dean and Shirley Pratt, of traveling in the fall to Kentucky and Wisconsin, plus just enjoyable evenings spent chatting. We will miss her as we missed your father.



Jim and Chic Bixler - September 20, 2021 at 10:20 AM

VM

“ Sara, I am no sorry for your family's loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

vicki forney mcelhaney

vicki forney mcelhaney - September 20, 2021 at 08:41 AM

VM

“ Vicki Forney Mcelhaney lit a candle in memory of Marilyn J. Sunderman



vicki forney mcelhaney - September 20, 2021 at 08:39 AM

AM

“ Sara, Ann and Evan: No words can express the depth of my sympathy to you and your family. I am heartbroken. Marilyn was a terrific person - kind, thoughtful and genuinely wonderful. She became a very dear friend over the last 20 years - and was a bright light in my life. It was such fun sharing our family history and stories via phone chats and letters – and our similar opinions on world events. Thank you for the beautiful video tribute to Marilyn. It was very comforting. How blessed I am to have been touched by Marilyn’s caring strength and joyful life. My thoughts and love are with you. Anne Meckstroth Menter (2nd cousin, Shultz family)

Anne Menter - September 19, 2021 at 10:06 PM

GT

“ We will miss Marilyn so very much. She was a kind, gentle person. Thoughtful and considerate of everyone who was fortunate enough to be in her company. Deepest sympathies for Sara, Ann & Evan at this time.



George & Sonja Close & Terri - September 19, 2021 at 11:55 AM

JB

“ Julia Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Marilyn J. Sunderman



Julia Blankenship - September 19, 2021 at 10:06 AM

AW

“Marilyn always had a smile on her face and was kind to ask how we were doing. I loved when she would stop in our store , sometimes to just say hello. She was a very kind, Christian woman, I will miss her. Sympathies to her family.

Ann Wasmuth - September 18, 2021 at 05:20 PM

BL

“Bailey-Love Mortuary has created this tribute video in memory of Marilyn.



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - September 18, 2021 at 03:15 PM

SM

We were fortunate to call Marilyn and John friends for several decades.

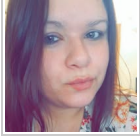
Steve Mason - September 19, 2021 at 08:40 AM



“Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Marilyn J. Sunderman.



September 18, 2021 at 11:33 AM



“ Oh Marilyn, you were so sweet. I loved when you always came into Applebees and wanted a half and half tea but not a lot of sweet tea. You were one of my favorite people that came in. You were just the sweetest person ever. Your Huntington Applebees will miss you!

Brittney McElhaney - September 17, 2021 at 11:22 PM

YF

“ Your Purdue Student Systems friends purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Marilyn J. Sunderman.



Your Purdue Student Systems friends - September 17, 2021 at 01:24 PM

JH

“ Our sympathies to the families. You will be in our prayers.

Joe & Lori Humbert - September 17, 2021 at 07:21 AM

SP

“ I feel so blessed to have know Marilyn. I worked with John for over 16 years. It was always a pleasure to see her stop by the office. She would stop and say hi to everyone on her way down the hallway. Such a beautiful lady. Rest In Peace with your “Johnny”.



Sally (Wohlford) Parrish - September 16, 2021 at 08:48 PM

JV

“ Dear Sara, Ann and Family, I was in Moe's a few months ago and in walked Marilyn. I recognized her, immediately. (She hadn't aged a bit!) I was so happy to see her and I told her how many wonderful nights I spent at her house with my friend, Sara! I am so sorry to hear this sad news! What an amazing woman! I will be praying for you all and hoping that you find comfort in the days ahead. She was a beautiful woman, inside and out! You are all very special to me! With Deepest Sympathy, Jane Hale Varney



Jane Hale Varney - September 16, 2021 at 08:24 PM

BW

“ We are so sorry for your loss. May she rest in peace. Love, Don and Barb Wieging



Barbara Wieging - September 16, 2021 at 07:26 PM

JS

“ My deepest Sympathy to the family. I have known Marilyn from the Loon Creek Church. Her & John were so special. So glad I got to talk to her in Huntington several months ago!

Janell Simons - September 16, 2021 at 04:31 PM

SM

“ *It was a pleasure knowing Marilyn for many years. She and husband John were so very kind to our family and we shared many special occasions with them. Thankful that we got to visit with Marilyn in August.*

Rest In Peace with John.

Steve Mason - September 16, 2021 at 03:57 PM