



Shirley Ilean Allen

May 22, 1928 - May 30, 2019

Shirley Ilean Gabsdell Allen passed away peacefully on May 30, 2019 at The Pines, Schramm Health Center in Davidson, North Carolina. She was surrounded by her loving family. Shirley is preceded in death by her husband, Joe and her infant son, Gary.

Shirley was born on May 22, 1928 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Chester and Louise Gabsdell. Shirley and her husband Joe raised their family in Detroit, Pittsburgh and Hershey, Pennsylvania. She was a graduate of Henry Ford Hospital School of Nursing in Detroit and was a loving and caring nurse for many years. She was also a very talented singer and sang solos in church choirs and various productions throughout her life.

Shirley's legacy of love and caring will remain with all who knew and loved her. Her infectious laugh and sense of humor will be missed by all.

Shirley is survived by her children; Sherry Allen Francis, husband Sandy of Mooresville, North Carolina, Judith Allen Kaminsky, husband Mark of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan and Joe Allen, wife Edeltrud of Waldleiningen, Germany. The Surviving Grandchildren are; Jennifer Thomas Hammett, her husband Jeff, Shaun Thomas, his wife Stephanie, Zach Francis, his wife Alicia, Ashley Francis, Isaac Kaminsky and Noah Kaminsky. Her 8 great grandchildren, Chance, Kendall, Brooke, Audrey, Kamryn, Grady, Myles and

Bennett will miss her wonderful hugs and kisses. She is also survived by her loving sister, Carol Schroeder of Tallahassee, Florida, her brother in law, Dick Allen, his wife Jane of Northport, Michigan, as well as many nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of her beautiful life will be held at Davidson United Methodist Church on Friday, June 14, 2019 at 11 AM. The family will receive friends after the service in The Fellowship Hall. A light lunch will be served. Shirley will be laid to rest next to her husband and son at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy, Michigan.

The family would like to thank the staff at The Pines for their excellent care and support. They would also like to thank the team from Hospice and Palliative Care of Lake Norman for their superb knowledge and kindness. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to Hospice and Palliative Care-Lake Norman, 705 Griffith St., Suite 203, Davidson, North Carolina, 28036.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville is serving the Allen family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com or to The Allen Family, C/O Sherry Allen Francis, 158 Ragsdale Trail, Mooresville, North Carolina, 28117.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUN 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Davidson United Methodist Church
233 South Main Street
Davidson, NC 28036

Receiving Friends

JUN 14. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Shirley Ilean Allen

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ Shirley Ilean Allen

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ Shirley Ilean Allen

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM