



Joan L Sills

February 16, 1930 - November 10, 2017

Joan L. Sills, 87, of Bluffton passed away on Friday, November 10, 2017, at Christian Care Retirement Community in Bluffton.

She was born on February 16, 1930 in Bluffton, Indiana, to Dennis and Mabel (Gerber) Moser. She graduated from Bluffton High School in 1948. Joan worked at Miller Airport and retired from Kitco.

Joan enjoyed vacationing in Michigan, participating in the covered bridge festivals and the Blueberry Festival. Joan was noted to never say "No" to babysitting.

On July 10, 1949 in Bluffton, Joan and Richard L. Sills were married. They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary before he preceded her in death on November 13, 2009.

Joan was a member of the First Baptist Church, a longtime member of Tri Kappa.

She is survived by two daughters, Kathi (Dave) Hartman of Fort Wayne and Karen (Kevin) Reed of Bluffton; two sons, Rick (Cheryl) Sills of Bluffton and Ted (Karen) Sills of Decatur; and 13 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

She is survived by a sister, Doris (Larry) Hall of Alma, MI, along with a nephew, Christopher Hall in Hong Kong.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Kris Barger.

Calling hours are 2 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral home and from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday prior to the service. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday (Nov. 14, 2017) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home with Pastor Les Cantrell officiating. Burial will follow at the Fairview Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Christian Care Retirement Center.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

3101 East Division Road
Bluffton, IN 46714
(260) 824-2832
<http://www.themonumentcenter.com/about/cemeteries/>

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 13. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
<http://www.thomarich.com>

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joan L Sills*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - November 13, 2017 at 02:22 PM



“ *Joan L Sills*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear about the loss of your Mom. What a warm and welcoming home she created not just for you, but for the rest of us, too - putting up with a herd on her front porch every summer night, letting us warm up on the snowy trek to Central every morning, inviting me to tag along on too many Wawasee vacations to count. Oh, and never complaining about a back yard too well-used to EVER grow grass! Thanks for sharing her with all of us. The Rat Pack will never forget your folks' kindness.*

Ann Hamilton Shields - November 16, 2017 at 05:06 AM



“ *Becky & John West lit a candle in memory of Joan L Sills*



Becky & John West - November 14, 2017 at 05:02 PM



“ *Serene Green™ Bouquet For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Joan L Sills.*



November 13, 2017 at 09:59 AM



“ *Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Joan L Sills.*



November 13, 2017 at 09:47 AM

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“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. What a great lady and so many good memories of growing up on East Central. Thoughts and prayers are with you.*
Doug Meyer

Doug Meyer - November 12, 2017 at 10:22 PM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Joan L Sills.*



November 12, 2017 at 09:00 PM



“ *52 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - November 12, 2017 at 12:28 PM