



## Roma "Midge" E. Hankins

February 9, 1927 - August 25, 2020

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For those who will be unable to join us in person for Midge's service, you can view the service on ZOOM and use Meeting I.D. # 835 0247 8490.

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Roma E. "Midge" Hankins, 93 of Bluffton passed away early Tuesday morning, August 25, 2020 at River Terrace Estates in Bluffton.

Midge was born on February 9, 1927 in Wells County to Earnest "Ozro" & Mabel Victoria (Gehrett) Ellison.

She attended P.A. Allen High School. She was a homemaker, raised her family and retired from Franklin Electric after working for 18 years. Midge volunteered at the Barga Hut in Bluffton for many years and will be fondly remembered as an avid Euchre, Pinochle and Bridge player! She enjoyed crocheting and bowling for many years.

On September 25, 1942 at the parsonage of Epworth United Methodist Church, Midge and Hubert "Hank" V. Hankins were married. Together they shared 60 years of marriage before he preceded her in death on June 8, 2002.

Survivors include her children; Connie (Gary) Shaw of Bluffton, Bill (Cheryl) Hankins of San Antonio, Texas, Jack (Cindy) Hankins of Wren, Ohio and Kathryn Hier of Bluffton, along with 13 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren

and 8 great-great-grandchildren and 2 on the way.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband and an infant son, Larry Hankins and siblings; Beatrice Dague, Wilma "Skeet" Borne, Millicent Eudine "Dine" Sosbe, Ralph Ellison, Bill Ellison and infant twin brothers, Norval & Norman Ellison.

A service to celebrate Midge's life will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday (August 29, 2020) at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton with Dr. Bryson E. "Gene" Bell officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Bluffton.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 1 P.M. to 7 P.M. and for one hour prior to the service. Memorial may be made in Midge's memory to the First Reformed Church or Visiting Nurse.

The safety of the family and all visitors is our utmost priority. For everyone's safety, we ask that you practice social distancing. Masks are required for visitation and for Midge's service at the funeral home. We appreciate your cooperation and patience.

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](http://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

**AUG 28.** 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

**AUG 29.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

## Service

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AUG **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Roma "Midge" E. Hankins*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - August 28, 2020 at 12:45 PM



“ *Roma "Midge" E. Hankins*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Sending lots of love to my family today as we say our final goodbye to great grandma Hankins. Love you Grandma.*



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**Madison** - August 29, 2020 at 10:25 AM



“ *Jerry and I are sorry to hear of Midge's passing. She was a good neighbor both on Wiley Street and Oak Street. But she is at peace now and no pain or worries.*

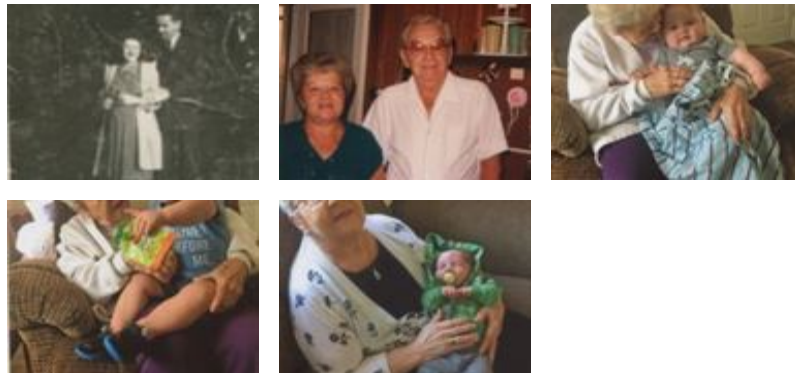
*Jerry and Margaret Crandall*

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**Margaret & Jerry Crandall** - August 29, 2020 at 07:55 AM



“ 7 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - August 28, 2020 at 10:28 AM



“ *Bright and Beautiful Spray* was purchased for the family of Roma "Midge" E. Hankins.



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August 27, 2020 at 09:51 PM



“ *Mary Collins Zeis* lit a candle in memory of Roma "Midge" E. Hankins



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**Mary Collins Zeis** - August 27, 2020 at 09:26 PM



“ 133 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - August 27, 2020 at 04:50 PM

CB

“ To the Hankins Kids, Will always remember living across the street from you. There was always so much activity in the 300 block of West Wiley. What a great childhood we had and what great Mothers who raised us. Your Mother was always so sweet.  
From the Wolfcale Kids.

Connie Bade - August 27, 2020 at 02:04 PM

JP

“ Midge was a very sweet lady & we will miss her! Love, Jim & Betty Perry

Jim Perry - August 27, 2020 at 11:17 AM

SK

“ One of the nicest people who I have ever known. I'm sure her passing will leave a big hole for family and other friends. Thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Steve Kunkel - August 26, 2020 at 04:48 PM

CS

“ So sorry for your loss. Midge was such and wonderful person. Always enjoyed our visits when she came Into the salon. She will be greatly missed May she Rest In Peace. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Catina Small - August 26, 2020 at 10:58 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roma "Midge" E. Hankins.



August 26, 2020 at 10:55 AM

SM

“ Midge babysat for my Mom and her sister when they were little. She was also my grandma's best friend. So sorry for your loss. I found this picture of Midge, she was a true beauty.



Sheila Meek - August 26, 2020 at 08:45 AM

EM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Emelia - August 26, 2020 at 01:53 AM

AG

“ Rest In Peace Midge. You were always a pleasure to take care of. Such a beautiful lady, and so friendly. We will miss you, glad you are at peace though ❤️

Amber Garrison - August 25, 2020 at 07:29 PM

SM

“ I love you Grandma. You were and always will be a special, strong, courageous, and beautiful woman. We will all miss you very much. 🥺. Sara, Emma and Camden



Sara Moore - August 25, 2020 at 06:48 PM

BO

“ Connie, I was so sorry to see your mother passed. No matter how old we are, or how old she was, she is still “mom”!! Cherish the many, many wonderful memories I’m sure you have!! 💕🙏💕🙏. Barb (Baker) Overdeer

barbara Overdeer - August 25, 2020 at 05:44 PM

KF

“ Ken & Jeannie Flowers lit a candle in memory of Roma "Midge" E. Hankins



Ken & Jeannie Flowers - August 25, 2020 at 05:01 PM