



Sandra Shepherd

March 21, 1946 - September 22, 2024

Sandra Shepherd, 78, of rural Akron, Indiana passed away at 9:36 am on Sunday, September 22, 2024 at her home, surrounded by her loving family.

Sandra was born on March 21, 1946 in Warsaw, Indiana to William and Marie (Wideman) Rathbun. She graduated from Mentone High School in 1964. She married on December 9, 1967 to Ellis Shepherd, who preceded her in death on October 14, 2021.

Sandra was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, and sister. She was known for her meticulous attention to detail, her creativity and ability to make something with nothing. Sandra's home was her work of art and noted by many for being one of the coziest homes they had been in. She was also known for being able to pull together a meal for a crowd with little notice and fed many "extra" teenage boys and young men at her table. Sandra was also known for her ability to keep a family recipe a secret. She was a homemaker in every sense of the word and was the true heart of her home. Sandra had an unbelievable green thumb and was well known for her skills with house plants. She had a love of learning that came through in her voracious reading habits and love of all things nature.

She is survived by her children Todd & wife Shannon of Rochester, Scott and wife Lori of Warsaw, Josh and wife Stephanie of Akron, Ashley and husband

Daryn of Roann, 8 granddaughters, and 4 great grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister Carol and husband Don of Mentone. Also surviving is her beloved Maine Coon Cat, Tuffins.

Along with her husband, Sandra was preceded in death by her parents and brother Cam Rathbun.

The funeral service will be held at 5:00 pm, Friday, Sept. 27, 2024 at King Memorial Home 101 North Tucker Street Mentone, Indiana with Rev. Michael Smith officiating.

A private interment will take place in the Mentone Cemetery, Mentone, Indiana next to her husband.

Visitation hours will be held from 3 pm to 5 pm, Friday, Sept. 27, 2024 at King Memorial Home, Mentone, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105.

Cemetery Details

Mentone Cemetery

Morgan St Jefferson Street
Mentone, IN 46539

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 27. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

King Memorial Home
101 North Tucker Street
P.O. Box 56
Mentone, IN 46539
(574) 353-7975
info@hartzlerfuneralservices.com
<https://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com>

Funeral Service

SEP 27. 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Sandra Shepherd



Hartzler Funeral Services - September 24, 2024 at 10:35 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sandra Shepherd.



September 26, 2024 at 12:59 PM



“ The McGlothin's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra Shepherd.

The McGlothin's - September 26, 2024 at 12:59 PM



“ Chris, Jamie and your Kapps Family purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Sandra Shepherd.



Chris, Jamie and your Kapps Family - September 26, 2024 at 11:18 AM

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“ *The Buckleys purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Sandra Shepherd.*



The Buckleys - September 26, 2024 at 09:34 AM

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The Buckleys - September 26, 2024 at 09:34 AM



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Hartzler Funeral Services - September 25, 2024 at 09:42 AM



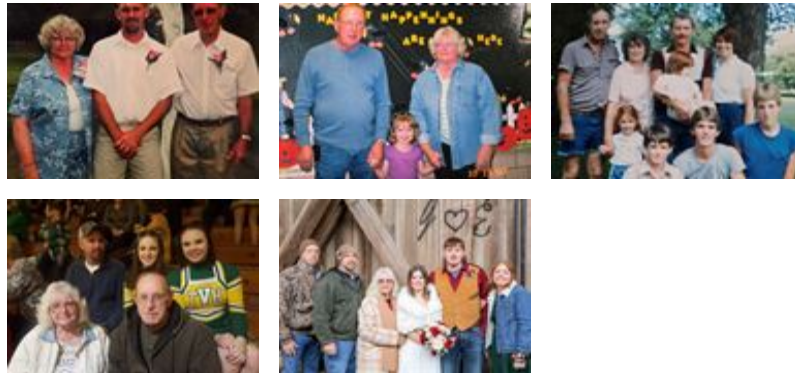
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Hartzler Funeral Services - September 24, 2024 at 06:32 PM



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“ To the families of Sandy, you have our deepest sympathy. Remember grief has no time limit so take all the time you need to reflect and remember such a kind soul. The photo is beautiful and honors her in a great, loving way. I shall miss her. She was a true friend, and I will always have beautiful memories of our friendship. May God hold you close during this time of loss. Lovingly, Diane Warren and families.



Diane Warren and families - September 24, 2024 at 12:26 PM

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“ Marla P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra Shepherd.

Marla P. - September 24, 2024 at 11:40 AM