



Ann Marie Sheppard

April 23, 2023

Ann Marie Sheppard of Nokomis Florida went to be with the Lord on Sunday April 23, 2023 at the age of 96.

Ann was born in Czechoslovakia and came to America with her mother on the Majestic thru Ellis Island to join her father in New Jersey. She grew up in Trenton NJ while taking care of her brothers and sisters when their mother died at an early age.

Ann finished school and went to work at Roebling Industries as a secretary. She was married to her late husband, Edgar J Sheppard for 52 years and started their family while living in Whitehorse NJ. They later built their home in Allentown NJ and lived there until moving to Nokomis Florida in 1977.

She enjoyed gardening, baking, playing Bridge, Canasta and was an excellent seamstress. She was a prior faithful member of The Epiphany Cathedral in Venice as well as Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Osprey.

Ann was preceded in death by her husband Edgar, her sons Wayne and Keith Sheppard, and by two brothers Michael Elko and John Elko. She is survived by her loving daughters - Cheryl Kotarski (Richard) of East Windsor NJ, Kim Riley Johnston, Deborah Johnson (Walter). She is also lovingly remembered by her grandchildren Ryan Kotarski, Adrienne Ortega (Diego), Wayne

Sheppard Jr, Lindsey Lombardo(Anthony), cherished great grandchildren Layla, Olivia, Ella, Juliette and Sawyer, sisters Mary Ellen Krupa, Helen Holloway and sister in law Vera Elko; as well many nieces, nephews extended family and dear friends.

Family will receive friends on Friday, April 28, 2023, from 5:00pm until 7:00pm, at Toale Brothers Funeral Home, Ewing Chapel, 140 East Venice Avenue, Venice, FL 34285.

A service will be held on Friday, April 28, 2023, at 6:30pm, at Toale Brothers Funeral Home, Ewing Chapel, 140 East Venice Avenue, Venice, FL 34285.

The family suggests donations may be made in Ann's memory to the Salvation Army USA or Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Previous Events

Family will receive friends

APR 28. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ann Marie Sheppard.* ”



April 27, 2023 at 08:12 PM



“ *The Lighting Design Team purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Ann Marie Sheppard.* ”



The Lighting Design Team - April 27, 2023 at 06:51 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ann Marie Sheppard.* ”



April 27, 2023 at 07:47 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ann Marie Sheppard.* ”



April 26, 2023 at 09:53 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ann Marie Sheppard.*



April 26, 2023 at 09:23 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ann Marie Sheppard.*



April 26, 2023 at 05:04 PM



“ *Dear Cheryl, Kim and Debbie - I am so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. 96 years of a life well lived. God bless her! It was wonderful being neighbors with you in Allentown. I remember when we were little - Jimmy, Vicky and I watched the house next door being built and wondered who would be moving in and if there would be kids to play with. We certainly got lucky with your family. A lifetime of memories evolved. I know you will miss your Mom and will smile when you think of her. She was a great wife, mother and neighbor. She was as blessed to have you as you were blessed to have her. Deepest condolences to you and your families. Heaven has a new angel who now joins your Dad and brothers.*



Always, Suzy

Suzanne Gavin - April 26, 2023 at 04:41 PM

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“ Kim, Cheryl, and Deb, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We have such wonderful memories of your mom, my dear Aunt and Godmother. She was the most incredible cook. We shared many holidays together, especially our Christmas dinners. she had to have everything just perfect. I'd ride by on my bike, and she would be out hard at work in the yard with her flowers. She will be missed for her great wisdom and fun loving ways.

To mom and Aunt Mary, I know how much you are grieving the lose of the matriarch of your family, you sweet big sister Anna. She had so many lessons to teach you. She'll continue to watch over you.

Our love to all of you!❤️❤️💕🌸



Susan D'Angelo - April 26, 2023 at 12:16 PM

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“ From Deb's Co-Workers in Hendersonville purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ann Marie Sheppard.



From Deb's Co-Workers in Hendersonville - April 26, 2023 at 11:48 AM