



Sheila Service Heimbuch

October 29, 1925 - February 27, 2025

Sheila Service Heimbuch, 99, died peacefully on February 27, 2025. She was born on October 29, 1925, in Rocky River, OH to Thomas and Nan Service.

Sheila graduated from Hillsdale College in Michigan with a bachelor's degree in Home Economics in 1949. Hillsdale College is where she met her college sweetheart and future husband, Robert "Bob" Heimbuch. They married on December 20, 1949, and spent their honeymoon in a little town in Florida called Sarasota and never left. She and Bob soon started to raise their family of three children.

After raising her children, Sheila embarked on a new career. She earned her CNA certificate and went to work at a new retirement center in Sarasota called Plymouth Harbor, where she spent the next 35 years working in their health center.

Sheila is survived by her son Chris Heimbuch and daughter Judy Mass (George). She was preceded in death by her husband Bob in 2005 and daughter Kim in 2019. A special thanks to the staff at The Pines of Sarasota for their compassionate care in Sheila's final years.

A memorial mass for Sheila will be celebrated on March 15th at 10:00 am at Incarnation Catholic Church, 2901 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Sheila's memory to The Pines of Sarasota, 1501 N. Osprey Ave., Sarasota FL 34236.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

MAR 15. 10:00 AM (ET)

Incarnation Catholic Church
2901 Bee Ridge Road
Sarasota, FL 34239

Tribute Wall

GF

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Aunt Sheila earlier this year. Although we lived apart, my memories of her and Uncle Bunk always make me smile. They were special people. My Mom, Grace Service Kelly, cared deeply for her. May your memories of her stay bright in your heart. Gretchen Service Fiery

Gretchen Service Fiery - May 02, 2025 at 04:30 PM

BS

“ I spent many years at Plymouth Harbor working with Sheila. she had a heart of gold and was so kind to the patients. I started working there in the early 70's as an aide and completed my RN degree at Florida State College and returned to wonderful Plymouth Harbour in the late 70's. She definitely earned her angel wings. Condolences to the family

Brenda Smith - March 10, 2025 at 04:33 PM

JU

Thanks Brenda for your kind note. I do remember you. Mom absolutely loved working at PH. I don't think it was a job for her but rather a calling. She loved the residents and I know they loved her too! Best wishes, Judy

Judy - March 13, 2025 at 05:39 PM

TS

Lilly and I send our condolences to Aunt Sheila's family. She and Uncle Bunk were such an endearing couple. It really warmed our hearts to read about her humanitarian work as a CNA. Both my mother Grace and my father Butch dearly loved this kind-hearted, upbeat, energetic woman. Our memory of her is certainly a blessing...

Tom & Lilly Service
Hobe Sound, Florida

Tom & Lilly Service - May 03, 2025 at 08:15 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sheila Service Heimbuch.



March 10, 2025 at 10:58 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sheila Service Heimbuch.

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“ Although I never met Sheila, your dad was the love of my life when I was 12 in 7th grade! I never forgot him, he was the most wonderful teacher and in my memories for so many years...I'm now 85 and still think of him and how he shaped my life. Unfortunately I didn't know your mother, but she must have been wonderful to have married such a great man. My condolences to the whole family, Gina Vandroff, Sarasota, FL.

gina vandroff - March 09, 2025 at 05:59 PM



Gina — thanks for your wonderful memories of my dad. I remember all the girls loved him! He was an excellent teacher and mentor and he loved his job. Mom was the love of his life, and I know they are together once again. Take care, Judy

Judy - March 13, 2025 at 05:41 PM