



Patsy Ann Sanders

May 14, 1929 - September 17, 2020

Patsy Ann (McElvain) Sanders, 91 years old, died peacefully at home in Parrish, Florida, surrounded by her family on Thursday, September 17, 2020. She was born on May 14, 1929, in Richmond, Indiana, to the late Donald E. McElvain and Irene A. (Kane) McElvain.

Having been raised in Richmond, Patsy graduated in 1947, from Richmond High School. On April 19, 1947, she was married to William S. (Bill) Sanders, who preceded her in death on May 13, 2015.

In her early years, Patsy was a homemaker to her three small children and also graduated from Richmond Business College. She then worked part-time for the Richmond High School Administration Office. She also gave piano lessons, and her love of music had her also playing the accordion. The family then moved from Richmond to Lebanon, Indiana, to become an original partner with Jack Day and Don Stewart to start Triangle Asphalt Paving Corporation where she was a bookkeeper. Following their retirement in 1977, Patsy enjoyed traveling around the country to festivals with her husband selling his creations with turquoise jewelry. In 1979, she and Bill moved to Dayton, Tennessee and started the Bluewater Campground on the Tennessee River. They moved back to Lebanon in 1989 to be close to their family. Patsy then formed a partnership with her son, Don Sanders, Sanders and Associates. She was also the bookkeeper for her son-in-law, Harold Kinsler:

Kinsler's Home Services. After the death of her husband, Bill, and due to declining health, Patsy moved to Florida with her daughter, Kathy and son-in-law Harold in November of 2015, where she resided until her death.

Her past and current memberships include Ulen Country Club with her late husband, Bill, where she enjoyed playing bridge and golf. The Kappa Delta Phi Sorority where she has been a member for 56 years, having held different offices. She truly loved and enjoyed her sorority sisters, with whom she missed deeply when becoming an associate. She has also been a member of the Richmond and Lebanon Chapters of the Daughters of American Revolution where she also held several offices for 66 years. She further held a membership in Daughters of American Colonists. Patsy loved doing research in genealogy and had worked on becoming a member of the Mayflower Society. She was also a long-time member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church before her move to Florida.

Wherever she went, she made friends easily and was known for her kindness and her beautiful smile. She was the sweetest person, with just enough vinegar to keep it fun. A devoted wife, mother and Nana she loved her family dearly. They will always be grateful for her unconditional love and support, and she will always be in their hearts.

Survivors include:

Three Children:

Kathy (Harold) Kinsler, Florida

Gary Sanders, Indiana

Don (Barbara Belt), Indiana

Six Grandchildren:

Nikki (J.T.) Solomon, North Carolina

Shelli (Stephen) Greer, Florida

Stephanie (Tim) Leavell, Indiana
Brian (Ashley) Sanders, Florida
Doug (Jen) Sanders, California
Abby (Derek) Warren, Indiana

Fourteen Great-Grandchildren:

Drew Solomon, North Carolina
Paige Solomon, North Carolina
Rylan Greer, Florida
Kaden Greer, Florida
Arin Leavell, Indiana
Jakobe Leavell, Indiana
Kiera Leavell, Indiana
Jocelynn Leavell, Indiana
Abi Sanders, Florida
Lili Sanders, Florida
Juliette Sanders, Florida
Ben Sanders, Florida
Bodhi Sanders, California
Hadley Warren, Indiana

Two Brothers-in-Law:

Arthur (Jim) Sanders, Florida
John Sanders, Indiana
Several nieces and nephews

In addition to her husband, Bill, Patsy was preceded in death by her parents, and brother, Donald William (Bill) McElvain and a great-granddaughter, Olivia Irene Solomon.

Memorials may be made to help children receive cochlear implants at St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf, 9192 Waldemar Road, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46268.

Due to Covid-19 and family traveling, graveside services will be held at a later date and interment at Oak Hill Cemetery, in Lebanon, Indiana. Myers Mortuary and Boone County Crematory have been entrusted with her arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ Just found out about Patsy Sanders passing, so glad she and my mother Barbara Summers-Moore were able to touch base on our family genealogy. My mother always enjoyed talking to Patsy by phone. What a dear sweet person. My mother Barbara passing in 2011 from Cloverdale. My mother Barbara parents were from Winchester, Indiana. Lovely woman. Late condolences. Cynthia Moore-Gamble

Cynthia L. Moore- Gamble - June 09, 2025 at 11:01 AM



“ Patsy Ann Sanders

November 27, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ Patsy was a very special person. I considered her my friend and a great Mother in Law and terrific Grandmother to her grandchildren. I will always hold a special place in my heart for her. She was truly loved by all and especially by me.

Debby Shubert - October 02, 2020 at 07:39 PM



“ Prayers for comfort for the family during this time of loss. Debbie and Whitey Campbell

Debbie Campbell - September 22, 2020 at 07:29 AM

KL

“ Prayers to you all. Patsy was a great lady who always had a smile and was a joy to know and talk to. She was a terrific lady. She is now home with Bill and is in no pain. May she RIP. I am here for any of you. I know she was a terrific wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. God bless her.

Karen Lasley - September 21, 2020 at 08:15 PM

JW

“ She was one of the very best! She always had a smile on her face. I know her family loved her very much. My condolences to you all.



Jane Wood - September 21, 2020 at 04:29 PM

DW

“ Sorry to hear of her passing. She always seemed to remember me even when not seeing one another for long periods of time. She was always so sweet to me. My condolences to all of the family.

Denise Bryant Wright

Denise Bryant Wright - September 21, 2020 at 12:43 PM

DJ

“ Sorry to hear this. Condolences to all the family.

Delbert and Marilyn Davis
Lexington, SC

Delbert Davis Jr - September 21, 2020 at 10:34 AM