



Ernestine (Tina) Kathryn Higdon- Sheaffer

August 20, 1937 - September 3, 2021

Ernestine (Tina) Kathryn Higdon-Sheaffer, age 84, while surrounded by her family and embraced with prayers by many friends, was peacefully taken home to Heaven on September 3, 2021, at UF Health Jacksonville (Shands) Hospital in Jacksonville, FL.

Tina was born to Ernest (Red) and Mabel Hulse in Henderson, KY, on August 20, 1937, where she grew up with many cousins in a large extended family. She attended Holy Name Catholic High School. Tina graduated from Murray State University, earning her Registered Nursing degree. After graduation, Tina accepted her first nursing job at Jewish Hospital in Louisville. Later she met and fell in love with Samuel Higdon, and they enjoyed a loving 43-year marriage and were blessed with two beautiful daughters. Sam and Tina raised their family in Henderson, KY, Modesto, CA, Lafayette, IN, and Bowling Green, KY, where Tina worked as a Nurse serving others and helping to provide for her family over a 40-year career. Tina loved to spend time with Sam and their many friends and enjoyed traveling to auto racing events. In their later years, they settled in Jacksonville, FL, to be close to their four grandsons. Her grandchildren were the light of her life, and Tina was blessed to experience their major life milestones.

She was preceded in death by Sam and was blessed with a second great love with Robert (Bob) Sheaffer. Bob and Tina enjoyed a 13-year devoted loving

relationship and were married in 2016. Their passions included spending time at their South Carolina lake house, traveling across the US, and attending theater and sporting events. Tina enjoyed weekly trivia games with a group of close friends. One of the highlights of their marriage was a two-month tour of Europe. They were inseparable and a true gift to one another.

Tina is survived by her beloved husband Bob, her daughters Angela (Rob dePalma) and Valerie (John Moffitt), stepdaughter Kimberly (Jerry Lattig), and grandchildren Tommy (Torey), Danny, Matthew, Johnny, Samantha, Danielle, Ann and Darrell.

Relatives and friends are invited to Tina's Life Celebration from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. on Friday and again on Saturday from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m. at Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 11, 2021 at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church with Father Gary Clark officiating. Burial will follow at St. Louis Cemetery in Henderson, KY.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Holy Name of Jesus Parish, 511 2nd St. Henderson, KY 42420 or the American Heart Association.

Arrangements entrusted to Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home, A Life Celebration® Home, online condolences may be made at www.bentongluntandtappfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Louis Cemetery

Henderson, KY 42420

Previous Events

Life Celebration

SEP **10**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home
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Henderson, KY 42420
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Life Celebration

SEP **11**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 11. 12:00 PM (CT)

Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church
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Tribute Wall



“ *Ernestine (Tina) Kathryn Higdon- Sheaffer*

November 29, 2022 at 08:01 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ernestine (Tina) Kathryn Higdon-Sheaffer.*



September 08, 2021 at 10:03 PM



“ *Our condolences! My sister and brother- in- law, Diane and Dave Sheaffer enjoyed their trips to spend time with Bob and a Tina - eating, relaxing, jet skiing, spending time by the lake. Our prayers are with you.*

Renee Hoffman - September 08, 2021 at 01:02 PM