



## Gladys L. McDonald

March 25, 1924 - May 21, 2023

Gladys L. McDonald, 99, of Indianapolis, passed away peacefully on May 21, 2023 surrounded by family. She was born on March 25, 1924, in Indianapolis to the late Loren Stanley and Olga Pearl (Bernard) Lawless. Gladys married Robert Donn McDonald on October 10, 1940, and was happily married for 58 years until he passed away on May 31, 1999. She received her Licensed Practical Nursing diploma that allowed her to care for babies in the neonatal ward of Methodist Hospital in her early years. She later was employed in the assembly division of the Western Electric Company for 22 years from which she retired. Gladys loved gardening and taking care of animals and enjoying the country life at her retirement home with Bob in Freedom, Indiana. Most of all, Gladys enjoyed her exceptionally large family of 5 children and 1 Niece: Robert, Charlotte, Janet, Barbie, Becky, and Vicki; 17 Grandchildren: Robbie, Tanya, Scott, Jill, Aaron, Julie, Pamela, Greg, Danny, Ricky, David, Angie, Tiffany, Thomas, Elizabeth, Malyrie, Kadi; 54 Great-Grandchildren; and 50 Great-Great-Grandchildren.

Gladys is survived by her children, Son Robert Donn McDonald, Jr. (Janet) of Martinsville, Charlotte Dodd of Indianapolis, Janet Patton of Indianapolis, Barbara Wells (Jeffery) of Indianapolis, Rebecca King of Freedom and Niece Vicki Drake of Indianapolis. She was preceded in death by her husband Robert D. McDonald, two sons-in-law, Gaylon Dodd and Ray Patton, Two Grandsons, Robbie McDonald, and Gregory Dodd, 1 Granddaughter, Kadi

Wells, and 1 Great Niece, Alicia Drake.

Visitation will be Thursday, May 25, 2023, from 12 noon until the time of service at 2:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 East Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN. 46229.

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46229

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 25.** 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel  
9606 E. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46229  
(317) 897-9606  
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

## Funeral Service

**MAY 25.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel  
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Indianapolis, IN 46229  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry for all of you for the loss of your mother, I truly understand how all of you feel. It is very hard when we know we have lost our best friend in the world. God bless all of you.



Mary W McDonald - May 24, 2023 at 05:48 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Gladys L. McDonald.



May 24, 2023 at 02:23 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gladys L. McDonald.



May 22, 2023 at 07:15 PM