



## Shirley Ann Hanson Brand

August 7, 1934 - October 2, 2017

Shirley Ann (Hanson) Brand

83, of Indianapolis, passed away on October 2, 2017. Shirley, born August 7, 1934, was the only child of Dudley and Hildred (Dunlop) Hanson. Shirley graduated from Broad Ripple HS in 1952 then attended Butler University. On June 20, 1953, she married Louis Robert (Bob) Brand who preceded her in death on March 25, 2002.

Shirley led a very full life and touched many people along the way. While she'd usually be considered a homemaker, she ventured into various things over the years. There were solo driving trips out west looking for collectible rocks in the deserts. The rock fascination rolled into many trips to ruby mines in the south. It seemed appropriate that Shirley later managed a coin and rock shop.

Other endeavors included stints at Business Furniture Corp., Snelling & Snelling employment agency, M/I Homes, Suicide Prevention, and traveling the country selling jewelry at various shows.

Shirley and Bob enjoyed the casinos. Even into her later years, Shirley could get unreasonably excited over penny slot machines and was always eager to explain all the possibilities.

They also enjoyed cruises. What seemed to be Shirley's one bucket list item –

to go on one final cruise – was satisfied in May with a cruise to Bermuda which she enjoyed immensely.

Shirley had a reputation for storytelling. This led to the “I can name that story in two words” game. But the common response to her “Stop me if you’ve heard this story...” was to just let her go.

She is survived by her three sons Morrie Brand, Mike (Mary Seal) Brand, and Marty (Sue) Brand (Hartsville, SC). She adored her two granddaughters Sarah Brand and Lindsey (Josh) Fisher (Cleveland, OH), and her great grandchildren Daniel and Amelia.

At Shirley's request, there will be no funeral but her life will be celebrated at a private memorial remembrance at a later date.

Donations may be made "In memory of Shirley Brand" to the wonderful St. Francis Hospice House:  
Franciscan Health Foundation (St. Francis Hospice House)  
5255 E. Stop 11 Rd.  
Indianapolis, IN 46237

# Tribute Wall

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“ Shirley was a wonderful person and neighbor that will always be remembered. We enjoyed her stories and her good nature. You will be missed Shirley.

Larry and Tina DellaRocco

Larry DellaRocco - October 10, 2017 at 12:34 PM

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“ Mike & Mary,  
Shirley was so independent & full of life. You've been so awesome to her always, especially this last month. I'm so glad you got to take her to Bermuda Mike.

Love to all the family,  
Jeanne

Jeanne Seal - October 09, 2017 at 10:05 AM

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“ Sharon lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann  
Hanson Brand



Sharon - October 08, 2017 at 06:10 PM

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“ Dearest Shirley is gone from my life, we met 53 years ago, she was cutting her lawn in shorts and i thought she had the most beautiful legs. Friends for decades, spoke to her two weeks ago. Love to her boys and family. One of a kind our Shirley. Fran Capelouto

fran capelouto - October 07, 2017 at 04:15 PM