



## Martha Johnson

October 7, 1926 - August 21, 2020

Martha Jean Shaffer Johnson, 93, passed away on August 21, 2020. She was born on October 7, 1926 to Raphael J. Shaffer and Lucy M. (Bozeman, Shaffer) Cox in Urbana, Ohio. Jean is survived by one son, Charles Johnson Jr. of Dublin, Ohio and a daughter, Janet (Paige) McMahan of Chillicothe. There are three grandchildren – Christopher Johnson, Katie and Conor McMahan. Also surviving are a half-sister, Linda Cooke, and a half-brother, Karl Cox. Jean was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 65 years, Charles Johnson; her half-sister, Ruth Ann Eleyet; and her son, Jeffrey Johnson, who died in March of this year.

Jean graduated from Urbana High School where she was awarded a full college scholarship. She enrolled in the School of Nursing at The Ohio State University and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 1948. After working for the Veterans Administration and United States Public Health Service, Jean pursued a career with the Columbus Public Schools. She served in multiple locations where she cared for students in wheelchairs and on ventilators. She was a member of the bargaining unit team that successfully lobbied to have school nurses included in future contracts. In the 70's, Jean also got her real estate license.

Jean was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. A wonderful cook and baker, she loved hosting family gatherings and holiday meals. She enjoyed

camping and boating, bridge club and dining out, traveling and reading. She assisted Charlie with woodworking projects and helped both sons renovate their first homes. She was a Buckeye fan for life who regularly watched both football and basketball games. Jean was most content when she watched sunlight glisten on the Scioto River while sitting at her dining room table with a golden retriever nestled at her feet.

Jean was an active member of Liberty Presbyterian Church. She enjoyed Bible Studies, social events, and day trips with Liberty's vibrant Top of the Hill Gang. Pastor Kyle Doeblen will perform a private service of committal at Maple Grove Cemetery in Granville, Ohio.

# Cemetery Details

**Maple Grove Cemetery (Granville, Ohio)**

Granville, OH

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall



“ *Martha Johnson*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM