



## Joan Cox Shaffer

October 12, 1925 - August 20, 2017

Joan Cox Shaffer, age 91, of New Concord formerly of Zanesville, passed away, Sunday, August 20, 2017, surrounded by her loving family at Beckett House in New Concord, following a long illness..

She was born Monday, October 12, 1925, in South Wales, England, the daughter of Henry Morgan Cox and Mable Cox. Joan was a British war bride coming to the U.S. in 1946 on the Queen Elizabeth. She made many wonderful friendships with other war brides. She enjoyed the British Girls get together and 4 o'clock tea time with Fran Gray, Hazel McDonald and Daphne Bradshaw. Joan enjoyed being with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, knitting, playing the piano, camping and working in her flowers. Joan loved people and people loved her, she was a kind and giving soul and was a member of St. Nicholas Catholic Church. She was married to William T. Shaffer who preceded her in death in 1996.

She is survived by four children; Michael J. Kosco of Zanesville, Joseph Kosco of Crooksville, William D, (Susan) Shaffer of Claysville, and Colleen (Raymond) DeGarmo of Zanesville; 11 grandchildren, Gina ( Mike) Harms, Jeff (Rita) Kosco, Kenny (Ruby) Kosco, Cindy (Joel) Lewis, Lisa (Mike) Bowman, Jodie Rixie, William (Emma) Shaffer, Braden Shaffer, Michael Shaffer, Brian Thomas, Brad (Trisha) Moorehead and Jennifer (Jesse) Hitt, and 8 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband she was preceded in death by two daughters-in-law, Margaret Kosco and Shirley Pride; and one brother Joseph Cox.

Donations may be made in her honor to the St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 925 East Main Street, Zanesville or the Alzheimer's Association 402 E Plaza Dr, Carterville, IL 62918.

Friends may call from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Wednesday, August 23, 2017, at the Hillis, Combs & Nestor Funeral Home, 935 Forest Avenue, where a prayer vigil will take place at 7:45 PM. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:30 AM on Thursday, August 24, 2017, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 925 East Main Street Zanesville, with Father Martin Ralko as celebrant. Burial will conclude in the Mt. Olive Cemetery, Zanesville.

To sign the online register book or to send a personal condolence note please visit [www.hilliscombsnestor.com](http://www.hilliscombsnestor.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **23**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Hillis Combs Funeral Home  
935 Forest Avenue  
Zanesville, OH 43701  
(740) 452-5494  
directors@hilliscombsnestor.com  
<https://www.hilliscombsnestor.com>

## Prayer Vigil

AUG **23**. 7:30 PM (ET)

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## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG **24**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Nicholas Catholic Church  
925 Main St.  
Zanesville, OH

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joan Cox Shaffer*

October 06, 2023 at 04:22 AM



“ *My mother Daphne Bradshaw was a good friend of Joan. I can remember as a child the group of war brides getting together on Sunday afternoons for tea parties. I remember Joan as a kind woman. That whole group became family as their shared their lives here in the United States. That was a brave journey they made to move away and start life in another country. They knew how to celebrate life and comfort one another when problems arose. Joan will be missed. Condolences to her family and friends.*

*J.C. Bradshaw*

**Jack (JC) Bradshaw** - August 25, 2017 at 12:07 PM



“ *Joan was such a wonderful friend, she never met a stranger, never did a mean word cross her lips, she loved everyone. I have so many memories of my friend, too many to mention, but you always opened your door to me with your lovely smile, and offer of a cup of tea and your everlasting friendship. I love and I will miss you so very much Joan, may you forever Rest in Peace.*



**Fran** - August 23, 2017 at 01:30 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joan Cox Shaffer.



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August 22, 2017 at 08:14 PM



“ Penny Miller Phillips lit a candle in memory of Joan Cox Shaffer



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**Penny Miller Phillips** - August 21, 2017 at 10:24 PM



*Joan was a sweet lady. She was a very good neighbor also. May the Angels watch over the family during this time. I know you do not know me by Penny Phillips. I was a Miller.*

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**Penny Miller Phillips** - August 21, 2017 at 10:28 PM



*Joan was such a kind and caring person. She was a wonderful Dietz Lane neighbor. My deepest sympathy to her family.*

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**Vickie MacLaine** - August 22, 2017 at 06:10 AM



*Joan is one of the Sweetest, kindest, humbled human beings that I have ever known. She is in a class of very few people that never had a bad thing to say or to pass judgement on anyone. She was a loving Mother, the sweetest Grandmother and overall great Lady with a ready smile and open door. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family and friends as we will all miss her greatly.*

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**Steve Moorehead** - August 23, 2017 at 02:02 PM