



## Francine Shreffler

October 23, 1936 - December 29, 2024

Francine Shreffler, nee Schasberger (Heck), 88, was born in Michigan, on October 23, 1936, to Arthur Schasberger and Martha (Vogt) Schasberger-Gillespie. A lifelong resident of the region, she loved to square dance and ballroom dance and regularly attended the local concert series as well held season tickets to the NWI Symphony. She was an avid traveler both in the states and abroad who loved playing pinochle and going to the Bonner Senior Center. While raising a family of four she attended IUN and obtained a bachelor's degree and went on to get her master's in library science and became the director of the Lowell Public Library System until she retired.

She is survived by her son, Steve (Kathy) Heck, daughter Robin (Steve Livingston) Heck, daughter, Vicky (Chuck) Johnson, sister, Lora Herbach, and brother, Tom Gillespie. She has 12 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Francine was preceded in death by her parents, sisters, Barbara Cook and Terry Bradford, brother, Gary Schasberger, son, David Heck, granddaughter, Mallory Stone, and two great-great grandchildren, Oliver, and Juliet Hyatt.

She adored her grandchildren, was very independent and also very generous. She was deeply loved and cherished by her family and friends and will be dearly missed.

Visitation will be at the Edmonds and Evans Funeral Home at 6941 Central Ave in Portage, IN, on January 4th, 2025, from 10:00 am -12:00pm, with funeral service at 12:00 pm and burial to follow at McCool Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## McCool Cemetery

2700 McCool Road  
Portage, IN 46368

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Edmonds & Evans Funeral Home  
6941 Central Ave.  
Portage, IN 46368

## Funeral Service

JAN 4. 12:00 PM (CT)

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## Burial

JAN 4 (CT)

McCool Cemetery  
2700 McCool Road  
Portage, IN 46368

# Tribute Wall

YF

“ Your McColly Real Estate Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francine Shreffler.

Your McColly Real Estate Family - Yesterday at 05:15 PM

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“ Your McColly Real Estate Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Francine Shreffler.



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VF

“ Vanessa Walters and her Texas Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Francine Shreffler.



Vanessa Walters and her Texas Family - Yesterday at 02:24 PM

CZ

“ Carol Zent purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Francine Shreffler.



Carol Zent - Yesterday at 01:20 PM

KB

“ My condolences to Francine's family and loved ones. I only met her this past year as a member of the Merrillville pinochle group at which we were weekly attendees. Francine was a fount of knowledge on the game and its rules, and schooled me through a lot of early mistakes. Our conversations showed her to be a person who enjoyed her family, her past, and her pastimes. She shared her love of dancing, and of music in all forms. Francine will truly be missed by our group. Karen Bakos

Karen Bakos - January 01 at 10:24 AM