



Shelby J. Windsor

August 22, 1939 - June 5, 2026

Shelby Jean (Miller) Windsor, 89, of Havana, Illinois, passed away peacefully on June 5, 2026 at Proctor Hospital. She was born on August 22, 1939, in Peterville, Illinois—on one of the hottest days ever recorded—she was the youngest child of Warren and Alice Miller, and the beloved sister of Elaine, Evelyn, and Bernard.

Shelby led a remarkable and deeply meaningful life. Together with her husband, Pete, she raised two wonderful sons, Brad and Jeff, and cherished the memory of their daughter, Ferris, who passed in 1985. Shelby's love for children and her gift for nurturing young minds led her to open the "Pied Piper" Nursery School in the 1960's. She and her dear friend Carol Palmer joyfully guided generations of local children until the school's closing in 1997.

Beyond her work in early childhood education, Shelby also served as a secretary at Central Christian Church and later at Mason District Hospital in Havana, where her kindness, steadiness, and warm smile were appreciated by all who knew her.

Shelby was a member of the Red Hat Society, a frequent volunteer at the Havana Food Pantry, and sewed roses at the Senior Center. She was also a Cub Scout den mother and was famous for her family dinners.

Shelby is survived by her sons, Brad (Bonnie) Windsor and Jeff (Shari) Windsor; her grandsons from Ferris, John "Chip" Windsor—whom she and Pete lovingly adopted after Ferris's passing—Casey Berry, and Brad's son, Matt (Mallory) Windsor; and her great-grandchildren, Wyatt, Benjamin, and

Lucas, each of whom she adored beyond measure.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, June 12, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at Central Christian Church in Havana, with a visitation two hours prior to the service from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Burial will follow the service at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana.

Shelby's legacy lives on in the countless lives she touched—with gentleness, humor, and a heart full of love.

Memorial donations may be made in Shelby's name to T.A.P.S. in Pekin.

Online condolences can be left for her family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Laurel Hill Cemetery

1105 E Laurel Ave
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2986

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Central Christian Church
215 South Broadway
Havana, IL 62644

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“Pete and Shelby touched so many lives collectively. Jeff, Brad, Chip and family be proud of the legacy of love and happiness they built in the years they graced this community. I wish you comfort and peace in your time of mourning. I would like to share a lovely photo of your beloved Pete and Shelby. I was lucky to have known them both.



Amanda Onken - 1 hour ago

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“She will be missed. What a lady. I was a country kid coming into a big high school. She was one to make me feel welcome. I enjoyed the fun at her home. Always could depend on Shelby helping at the Alumni celebrations. Prayers to the family. Class of 1954.

Carol Fisk Kolves. - 2 hours ago



“I am very sorry of your family's loss. She was the nicest sweetest person.



Glenna Mount - 3 hours ago

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“ *Lanette Crum lit a candle in memory of Shelby Windsor*



Lanette Crum - 3 hours ago

DW

“ *Sorry for your loss Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family 🙏❤️*



Dan and Chris Wilson - 4 hours ago