



## Deborah J. Roper

February 1, 1952 - October 10, 2021

Deborah Jean (Gunn) Roper passed away on Sunday, October 10, 2021 at the age of 69. She was born in Hatfield, Indiana to the late Welby Earl and Margaret Maxine (Michael) Gunn on February 1, 1952.

Debbie graduated from South Spencer High School in Rockport, Indiana before enlisting in the United States Army. Following her honorable discharge from the military, Debbie went on to work for the Vanderburgh County Clerk's office, from where she would eventually retire.

Debbie was a lifelong Bobby Knight fan and always enjoyed watching the Colts play football. If she was not watching her favorite sports, she was probably in the kitchen baking something for friends or family while listening to her favorite musician, Alan Jackson! Family was one of the most important things in Debbie's life; she loved them so much. Anyone who ever met Debbie was impacted by her fun and loving demeanor and she will be extraordinarily missed.

Debbie was preceded in death by her parents, Welby and Margaret (Michael) Gunn; brother, Douglas Gunn and sisters, Margaret (Gunn) Townsend, Evelyn (Gunn) Lewis, Linda (Gunn) Merrick and Paula (Gunn) West Hogan.

She is survived by a brother, Herman Ray "Blu" Gunn, many nieces, nephews,

great nieces, great nephews and friends, who were like family to Debbie.

Friends may gather with the family from 1:00 until 3:00 PM on Saturday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street, where there will be a memorial service held at 3:00 PM.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

OCT **16**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 West Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

## Funeral Service

OCT **16**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Debbie was one of the kindest and most delightful people I have ever know. We lost touch after she left the Clerk's office, and I only found out about her death when searching for a phone number to reconnect. She was rarely seen without that big smile, and she was a master of being silly. I remember the time we all got new office chairs. Debbie was not one to let such a momentous occasion pass without celebration and she quickly organized the Office Chair Line Dance to the music of Garth Brooks. Another time she came back from lunch with a tofurkey (vegetarian tofu turkey) and for days she was finding ways to work the word tofurkey into conversation. I think she just liked the sound of it. As kind as she was, she still was not afraid to stand up for what was right, which sometimes got her into trouble. She was as tough and strong as she was kind and loyal and I regret that I was not able to rekindle our friendship.*

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**Sherry Conway** - June 21, 2023 at 02:19 PM



“ *Deborah J. Roper*

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January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM