



Edith J. Romenzak

December 26, 1952 - December 15, 2025

Edith J. “Edie” (Shepherd) Romenzak, a devout Christian who cherished her family above all else, went to be with the Lord on Monday, December 15, 2025, in her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born on December 26, 1952, in Warsaw to the late Alonzo and Mary Ann Shepherd Sr., and was 72 years old at the time of her passing.

On August 1, 1992, in Knox, Edie married John Romenzak, who preceded her in death. She was a retired cashier, having worked at various businesses throughout the community, where she was known for her friendly smile and warm spirit.

Edie was a faithful member of Outreach Tabernacle Church in Knox. Her love for the Lord shone brightly through her life, especially through her passion for Christian music, which she played and sang “loud and proud” right up until her passing. She also had a creative heart, enjoying arts and crafts, and was especially gifted in interior decorating, taking great pride in making spaces warm and welcoming.

Most of all, Edie deeply cherished her family. Her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were the center of her world, and she extended that love to all those fortunate enough to be part of her family.

She is survived by her daughter, Cherie (Ray) Sanchez; two sons, Gary Craft and Frank Craft; one stepdaughter Jenny Howard; eleven grandchildren, Ivan, Troy II, Courtney, Metallica, Aden, Alex, MerryAnn Craft, Frankie Craft, Brandon McKay, Britney McKay, and Colton Romenzak; nine great-

grandchildren, with one more on the way; four brothers, Alonzo (Vickie) Shepherd Jr., Phillip (Sandy) Shepherd, Richard (Lisa) Shepherd, and Robert Shepherd; and eight sisters, Nancy Tuley, Rosa Tolson, Anna (Dave) Dare, Leota (Doug) Griffith, Ramona (Jerry) Redlin, Anita (Larry) Redlin, Wanda (Brian) Pinson, and Tammy (Joe) Hoy.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John Romenzak; one daughter, Dawn Madsen; one stepson John Romenzak; one stepdaughter Robin Romenzak; one brother, Billy Shepherd; and two sisters, Martha Tolson and Annette Landrum.

Visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. CST on Monday, December 29, 2025, at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. A funeral service will follow at 1:00 p.m. CST at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Crown Hill Cemetery in Knox.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the family.

Edie will be remembered for her unwavering faith, her joyful praise, her creative spirit, and the deep, abiding love she held for her family.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

Knox, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 29. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Rannells Funeral Home - Hamlet Chapel
102 W. Davis Street
Hamlet, IN 46532
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Funeral Service

DEC 29. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

DEC 29.

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Tribute Wall

PM

“ *Cherie, Frank and Family,
I know there are no words that can ease your pain. Just know that my heart goes out to you for the loss of your dear Mom. I know how much she meant to you. Hold on to that infinite love and let it be your guiding light. Wishing you peace and strength during this time .
You are in my thoughts and prayers. 🙏*

Peggy Meadows - December 19, 2025 at 01:11 AM

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“ *Edith and I were super close when we were in school. She was always an Angel to me. She will be missed greatly. Her smile shone like one of the brightest stars in the solar system. God's peace to the family. My deepest condolences.*



Carol Weddell Grubbs - December 17, 2025 at 07:25 PM

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“ *My condolences to you and your family Cherie I am praying for you all during this time of loss may God bless and be with you all*

Amber Garlinger - December 17, 2025 at 07:17 PM