



Jean Elizabeth Holmes

July 22, 2022

Jean Elizabeth Holmes passed away on Friday, July 22, 2022 at Abode Care of Allentown. She was the wife of Joseph A. Holmes, they were the first American couple to be married in the American Church of Caracas, Venezuela on March 24, 1952. Born in Bethlehem, PA she was the youngest daughter of the late Isador (Spinner) Szenna and late Anna Virginia (Raub) Szenna of Bethlehem, PA. She was the founder and sole proprietor of the eclectic Blue Butterfly Gift Shop and the Lavender and Lace Tea Room on Chestnut Street in Emmaus for over 20 years. She was also a self-taught fashion designer, business woman, and chef. There was nothing Jean could not do. She was a creative woman who worked hard to see her visions come to life.

Survivors: Son, J. Brant Holmes and his wife Dorothy Stearns-Holmes of Belle Mead, N.J.; daughters-in-law, Elaine M. Holmes of Allentown, Sharon L. Holmes of Wescosville; granddaughter, Lyn Alyson Holmes of Los Angeles, CA.; and nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by husband Joseph A. Holmes III and sons, Douglas Bruce Holmes and Lane Sprunt Holmes.

Services: Memorial, 3-5 p.m. Friday, July 29, 2022 at the J. S. Burkholder Funeral Home, 1601 Hamilton Street, Allentown, 610-433-5161.

Contributions may be made in her memory to: Alzheimer's Foundation of America <https://alzfdn.org/> To donate by check, please send to Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 8th Avenue, 16th Floor, New York, NY 10001.

Checks should be made payable to "Alzheimer's Foundation of America."

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL **29**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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