



## Phyllis J. "Totie" Sharkan

August 17, 2023

Phyllis J. "Totie" Sharkan, 91, of Allentown, died August 17, 2023 in Signature Healthcare in Norfolk, VA. She was the wife of the late Dr. William W. Sharkan. Phyllis was a registered nurse-night supervisor at the former Allentown Osteopathic Hospital in Allentown for 9 years, retiring in 1987. Prior to that, she was a general duty nurse for 20 years. Phyllis was a 1949 graduate of Liberty High School and a 1952 graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. Born in Allentown, she was the daughter of the late Ernest J. and Irene W. (Hart) Totenbier. She was a member of St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, Allentown. At the church, she was a past Sunday School teacher, a past president ELCW, past president of music, past president worship committee, alter guild member and worship group circle member. She was a life member of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association and was a member of the Allentown Osteopathic Hospital Reunion Committee for 12 years. She was very active in the local AARP Chapter #5415 and was in charge of the volunteer hours. Phyllis was a volunteer at the food bank and she received a certificate from Governor Corbett for 50 years of voting. She traveled extensively with her husband throughout the United States and four continents.

Survivors: Son: Dr. Keith L. Sharkan and his wife Frances of Malvern, PA, Daughter: Lygia J. Bellis of Norfolk, VA, Grandsons: Austin, Ross, Christopher and Brian and Great-Grandchildren: William, Ella Jean, Keith and Lucilla.

Services are at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to St. Timothy's Lutheran Church 140 S. Ott Street Allentown, PA 18104.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Tribute Wall



“ *A nice obituary. She was a lovely lady and had a full life. Jack ward*

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**John ward** - September 04, 2023 at 11:46 AM