



## Bernice Ione "Bea" Shearron

August 4, 1927 - June 1, 2019

Bernice Ione ("Bea") Shearron died at home in Lake Forest Saturday, June 1, 2019. She was 91 and is survived by son John Howard Shearron II and daughter-in-law Marybeth Arbanas Shearron of Gurnee, Illinois; son James William Shearron of New York City; and granddaughters Melody Shearron of Chicago and Monica Shearron of Dayton, Ohio.

Ms. Shearron was the widow of John Howard Shearron, a executive of Marshall Field & Co. in Chicago.

She was born August 4, 1927 in Underhill, Wisconsin to Walter August Strei and Helen Augusta Behm Strei. Her brother Kenneth Duane Strei of Austin, Texas preceded her in death.

Ms. Shearron was graduated from William Woods College in Fulton, Missouri in 1947. Afterward she worked at Marshall Field where she met Howard Shearron. They were married in 1955 in Chicago.

Early in her adult life she developed a great interest in interior design and gardening. She applied her talents in these areas throughout her life in her own houses and gardens.

Ms. Shearron reared two young sons alone with kindness and perseverance, returning to work after the untimely death of her husband in 1968. Her lengthy tenure at Marshall Field ended in 2009 upon her retirement at the age of 81.

She was loved by all who knew her, especially for her gentle manner and quiet wit, and respected always for her elegance and grace.

Ms. Shearron was a life-long Lutheran. Her services will be private, and she will be interred in Lake Forest Cemetery. For more information, contact Reuland & Turnbough Funeral Directors of Lake Forest at [www.rtfunerals.com](http://www.rtfunerals.com) or (847) 234-9649.

# Cemetery

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## Lake Forest Cemetery

North End of Lake Road

Lake Forest, IL, 60045

# Comments

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“ We are saddened to hear of your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sure was nice to see her a few years ago at the Behm reunion. My mother (Lorraine) has some good memories of Bea. Prayers, Mr, and Mrs. Sanford Wheeler( Jean Wilber)

**Jean Wheeler** - June 10, 2019 at 08:27 AM