



## Obituary

**Born:** Monday, August 26, 1929

**Died:** Saturday, May 13, 2017

Patricia L. Koby, 87, passed away on Saturday, May 13, 2017.

She was born August 26, 1929, in Shelbyville, the daughter of Thelma (VanArsdall) and Ira Firsich.

She is survived by her son, Jim Koby of Manilla, her brother-in-law, John McDowell, and nieces Patty (Steve) Simmons and Mary Ann (Mike) Hackman and nephews, John (Mary) McDowell and Mike (Kim) McDowell.

She attended Shelbyville High School and the Indiana School for the Blind.

Following high school, she worked as a transcriptionist/typist at Grain Dealers Mutual Insurance Company in Indianapolis for several years.

On January 8, 1963, she married Albert Koby. They had met through the Indianapolis Young Catholic Adults organization. He preceded her in death on April 11, 2009.

She was also predeceased by her parents and her devoted sister, Virginia McDowell.

Patty enjoyed travel, flowers, listening to audio books, and spending time with family and friends.

She and her husband, Al were a driving force in establishing an Indianapolis Chapter of the Retinitis Pigmentosa Foundation. In addition, she had been a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, St. Ann's Altar Society, St. Joseph Church Prayer Line, Red Hats at Horizon Center, and the Association for Visually Impaired Persons.

Visitation will take place from Noon to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 125 East Broadway, Shelbyville, In., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 1 p.m.

Burial will be in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Foundation Fighting Blindness, 7168 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, MD 21046 or to a donor's favorite charity.

Funeral Directors Greg, Sheila and Stuart Parks are honored to conduct the services for Mrs. Koby.

Online condolences may be shared

## Service Summary

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### Visitation

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM, Wed May 17, 2017

### St. Joseph Catholic Church

125 E. Broadway Street  
Shelbyville, Indiana 46176

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### Mass of Christian Burial

1:00 PM Wed May 17, 2017

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