



## Susan T. Shimkowitz

November 9, 1949 - July 8, 2025

Susan T. Shimkowitz, 75, of Crystal Falls, passed away Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at her home.

Susan was born November 9, 1949, in Crystal Falls, MI, daughter of the late Samuel and Marjorie (Holkup) Eckola. A 1968 graduate of Forest Park High School, she attended Bryant and Stratton Business School in Milwaukee, WI, where she earned an Executive Secretary degree in 1969. Susan was a paralegal for the state of Connecticut for many years, retiring in 2003. On November 10, 1990, she married Elliot Shimkowitz in Newington, CT, where they resided before returning to Crystal Falls after her retirement.

An avid reader, Susan enjoyed doing all kinds of puzzles, watching Nascar racing, spending time on her computer, and traveling. She was also a member of the North Country Cruisers Car Club in Crystal Falls.

Susan is survived by her husband, Elliot; her son, Derik Read of Crystal Falls; 2 step-sons, Louis (Lisa) Shimkowitz of Berlin, CT, and Aaron Shimkowitz of Newington CT; a nephew, Christopher Eckola; 2 grandchildren; 8 step-grandchildren, a great-grandson and numerous cousins.

Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, David (Linda) Eckola; her uncles, Francis "Bud" Holkup and George Holkup; her aunt,

Marion Holkup; and her grandson, Devon Read.

Private family services will be held.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Susan's memory to the American Cancer Society at <https://donate.cancer.org/>

Condolences to the family of Susan T. Shimkowitz may be expressed online at [www.nashfuneralhome.net](http://www.nashfuneralhome.net).

The family has entrusted Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Susan was a classmate that everyone liked to be around. She was always so bubbly & cheerful. Her laugh was the best. Loved chatting with her whenever we came to Crystal. I will miss that ! Our condolences to you, Eliot, and the entire family.

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**Lynne ( Korpi) Zeleznik** - July 18, 2025 at 08:25 AM

PW

“ So very sorry for your loss. I've known Sue since high school and have always enjoyed her company. She will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

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**Pat Westcott** - July 12, 2025 at 03:45 PM

MS

“ Sending you all love. Sue was an amazing person and wonderful friend. She was the light for many days with my mom and helping me with her. Took her to appointments so I didnt have to miss a ton of work. Even staying at the hospital so I could take care of Eugene. She will be greatly missed. Her smile lit up a room. She was so full of love.

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**Michelle Smokevitch** - July 11, 2025 at 06:59 PM