



Irene Isaac Block

March 12, 1923 - October 10, 2023

Irene Isaac Block of Cincinnati passed away at the age of 100 on October 10, 2023. The native Cincinnati centenarian was energized by the love for her family and she believed her long life and good health were a result of her sense of humor, healthy eating, and commitment to her daily vitamins. Wanting to leave the world better than she found it, she realized life was all about how you played the cards you were dealt and was committed to doing so honestly and elegantly.

Beloved wife of Robert Block, Sr., daughter of Stanley Isaac and Frances Bamberger Isaac, step daughter to Lucille Isaac, and mother of the late Lee Martin Block and step mother to Robert and Justina Block, Lynda Block, and the late Dina Block Rosenheim. Grandmother to Mimi Rosenheim, Larry Young, Jory Block, Jessica Block, Victor Block, and Korrina Block and Gigi to great grandchildren Walker Young and Jaden Block. Aunt to Tom and Jody Block, Rick and Ellie Block, Barb and OJ Cohen and survived by many great and great great nieces and nephews, and her beloved cockapoo, Milo. Contributions can be made to The Plum Street Temple Historical Preservation Fund via wisetemple.org.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, October 16th at 2:00PM in the Cedars of Lebanon Chapel at Spring Grove Cemetery, 4521 Spring Grove Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45232.

A gathering will be held directly following services at The Regency, 2444 Madison Road Cincinnati, Ohio 45208.

Cemetery Details

Spring Grove Cemetery

4521 Spring Grove Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45232

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT 16. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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4521 Spring Grove Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45232

Gathering

OCT 16. 4:00 PM (ET)

The Regency Party Room
2444 Madison Road
Cincinnati, OH 45208

Tribute Wall

NB

“ I just learned of Mrs. Block's passing. Mrs. Block became a special friend when she so generously hosted my partner and her CPA, Jim Walter, at her elegant Boca Raton penthouse condo, many many times. Even after he passed away suddenly in 2004, we maintained a friendship and exchanged phone calls and holiday cards. She was an elegant lady and I always said I want to be just like her.

Nancy Jane Brown - December 04, 2023 at 02:48 PM

LG

“ Condolences. Cousin Irene was elegant indeed! (I always remember her as my “sparkly” cousin). But of course there was so much more to Irene - she was strong, smart, and kind. Full of wit and fiercely proud of her family. I have wonderful memories of our visits with my grandmother, Edna Sommer, my parents Lou and Roz Sommer, and my sister Lisa. I enjoyed a delightful lunch date out with Irene two summers ago - when she was just 98! Irene was one of a kind and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.
- Lynn Sommer Gertzog



Lynn Sommer Gertzog - October 17, 2023 at 07:43 PM

AP

“ We are very saddened to hear of Irene's passing. She and my father called themselves birthday buddies because they were born in the same year. She was always a delight to chat with as she was always positive, interesting and fun. She will be missed.

Amelia Pack - October 17, 2023 at 07:32 PM

JL

“ Irene Block was my down the hall neighbor for 9 years. We knew a bit about her even before we moved in because her stepson Rob and my husband Bob were avid tennis players and long-time competitors together at Hyde Park Tennis Club. As Irene told us when we moved in she was 90 and "a tough old broad." There was always laughter coming from her apartment, whether friends were visiting or she was on the phone. She told us she had a lot of friends because she still drove! She went out with Milo in all kinds of weather. When there was snow, she would put him into a shopping cart and wheel him to the street. She always dressed well. Frequently when we were coming home early on a Saturday evening we saw her, always dressed stylishly heading out for the evening. She didn't seem to think about moving until all of us had to when we lost all power in our building for about 3 weeks during the summer of 2022. She moved to the Kenwood, and then once there, at 99, she decided, regretfully, to move out of her long-time home. Her apartment was sold, is being renovated, and now the sounds that emanate from there are the banging of workmen as they prepare her apartment for its next tenant, who will be our newest neighbor. I will always walk by, as I do several times each day and think of her....and of Milo, who often warned his "Mommy" of an approaching person. With her great sense of humor, Irene remarked to me, "When you hear Milo barking you'll know I'm home, because he's scared to bark when I'm out. My condolences to all the families. They have lost a very special and loving person. Judy Lubow

Judy Lubow - October 16, 2023 at 11:45 PM

JB

“ I knew Mrs. Block for over 10 years from working at the Regency and she was such a lovely person with a kind heart. I will miss her very much. Rest in Peace.



Julie Bley - October 16, 2023 at 10:48 AM

DE

“ I've been working at the Regency for almost 8 years, and Miss Block was always so nice and friendly and very funny. I just adored her laugh and her dog Milo She was a beautiful soul. My prayers are with the family.

Devonte - October 16, 2023 at 07:44 AM

MI

“ I don't recall if I ever met Irene in person, probably when I was very young. She was my father's, Alfred Isaac, last living first cousin. My condolences to her family and friends. May her memory be a blessing.

Maurice Isaac - October 14, 2023 at 11:47 AM

SR

“ Mrs. Block was a very special lady and I will always treasure the time I spent with her and remember her fondly, especially her generous spirit and infectious laugh. I'm sure that wherever she is now, she is spreading the same joy. We're all blessed to have known her. May God be pleased with her work! Rest in peace, Sabrina Reynolds and family.

Sabrina Reynolds - October 13, 2023 at 05:23 PM

TS

“ Irene was a good friend to my Aunt Gwen Shapiro as well as my Mother and Father. I didn't know her as well but from the little bit I knew, she was always pleasant, happy and she cared for others. I know how much she loved her dog and can appreciate that as I have a cockapoo also. May her memory be a blessing!

Tom Samuels - October 13, 2023 at 02:30 PM

LB

“ Lynda Block lit a candle in memory of Irene Block



Lynda Block - October 12, 2023 at 06:53 PM

RR

“ Aunt Irene was one of the nicest people I've ever known.....always a smile on her face and always in a good mood....I'll miss you!

roger rosenthal - October 12, 2023 at 06:13 PM