

## FAQs for the Public

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**Q: When and where did Eunice Kennedy Shriver pass away?**

A: She passed away at 2:00 AM (Eastern) at Cape Cod Hospital (Massachusetts, USA), surrounded by her loving family. Please refer to the Special Olympics press release for more information, found at [www.eunicekennedyshriver.org](http://www.eunicekennedyshriver.org).

**Q: How is the family doing?**

A: The family is together and in the comfort of one another. As can be expected, they are grieving their loss and celebrating her life. We are asking everyone to join us in respecting their privacy at this time. A statement from the family is available at [www.eunicekennedyshriver.org](http://www.eunicekennedyshriver.org)

**Q: Will there be a public memorial that we can attend?**

A: Details are not available at this time, but memorial information will be posted at [www.eunicekennedyshriver.org](http://www.eunicekennedyshriver.org)

**Q: I don't have access to the internet? Where else can I get information?**

A: You can contact the Special Olympics international headquarters office at: 202-628-3630

**Q: Where can I send flowers or condolences?**

A: The family requests in lieu of flowers, people make donations to Special Olympics or Best Buddies. They may also pay tribute at [www.eunicekennedyshriver.org](http://www.eunicekennedyshriver.org) or send their condolences to Special Olympics, Inc., 1133 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Washington, DC 20036. For those in the Washington DC area, a condolences book will be available for signing at the Special Olympics headquarters.

Special Olympics: [www.specialolympics.org](http://www.specialolympics.org)

Best Buddies: [www.bestbuddies.org](http://www.bestbuddies.org)

**Q: How can I make a donation?**

A: Please visit [www.eunicekennedyshriver.org](http://www.eunicekennedyshriver.org) to make a donation or you may mail in a donation to:  
Special Olympics  
1133 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW  
Washington DC 20036  
Attn: Legacy

**Q: What was the cause of her death?**

A: Special Olympics is not at liberty to comment on the details of Mrs. Shriver's health.

**Q: How is Sargent Shriver?**

A: Sargent Shriver is with his family in Hyannis Port, Massachusetts. His health is good and, as can be expected, is grieving.

**Q: What will this mean for the future of Special Olympics?**

A: Special Olympics has been growing rapidly throughout the world and we have no doubt that Mrs. Shriver's legacy will prosper. We are stronger than ever, powered by her passion and the more than 3.1 million athletes world-wide.

Special Olympics has always been and will continue to be a grassroots movement: it lives and breathes in cities, towns and villages throughout the world. Every time we take action, however small, in pursuit of a more joyful and just future, we honor Mrs. Shriver and her vision of a world of acceptance and inclusion for all.

**Q: What can I do?**

A: Take action! Regardless of your age or experience you can honor Mrs. Shriver's life and work by supporting your local Special Olympics Program. Please visit [www.somo.org](http://www.somo.org) to see how you can get involved in Missouri.

Most immediately, you can pay tribute and share your story to Mrs. Shriver at [www.eunicekennedyshriver.org](http://www.eunicekennedyshriver.org).

**Q: I am a family friend and need to reach the family, please patch me through.**

A: At this time, we are respecting the privacy of the family and will take down your name and contact information and pass it along.