



Shirley Ann Whittington

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On November 12, 2024, Shirley was tragically killed in an auto accident. Suddenly untethered from the earth, she is now free to pursue her wishes to become a scholar, anthropologist, artist, writer, storyteller, and world traveler. She is survived by her trusty sidekick, beloved husband Michael of 39 years. They turned every drive into a joyride; son, Doug Mullins (Karen) of California; daughters, Dee Dee Stergis (George) of Culpeper, Virginia, and Cheri Palmer (David) of California; and multiple grand and great-grandchildren. Being a grandmother was one of her greatest joys in life. She was one of four “Waddell Girls”, along with her sisters, Juanita (Larry) Breeden, Beatrice Henry, and Dolores (Don) Hone. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her son, Mike Mullins (Dean) of Washington State.

Shirley’s zest for life was infectious. A joyful laugh and a beautiful smile. She was quick to love, quick to forgive, ready with pearls of wisdom, and a comforting hug. She will be greatly missed.

Mike and Shirley moved to Virginia nearly 10 years ago. They loved living in Culpeper and in a short time, they were surrounded by numerous friends of common interest.

Shirley was adamant about not wanting a funeral service, now she's too busy to attend.

Godspeed!

An online guestbook and tribute wall are available at www.foundandsons.com
Found and Sons Funeral Chapel of Culpeper is serving the family.



Tribute Wall

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RG

Robyn Gray lit a candle in honor of Shirley.

Mike, Dee Dee, George & family, my deepest condolences to all of you. Shirley was one of my favorite people, she always made me feel loved with her smile, her hugs & her wise words. My life is richer by having known her for several years. I am sending prayers for God to comfort each one of you.



November 29 at 9:37 AM

JG

James Gray posted:

Mike and Family, We are thinking of you all. May your precious memories bring you COMFORT at this difficult time. Strength in the SUPPORT of those who care, and HOPE in each new day. James/Janet Gray

November 22 at 5:38 PM

PM

Patricia Martin posted:

To Shirley's family. She was such a sweet and spirited lady. I really enjoyed getting to know her when she worked with me in the hospital gift shop. She will truly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Pat Martin

November 20 at 4:29 PM

SJ

Shannon Jackson posted:

Sorry for your loss my condolences Hugs ☐ family sending prayers 🙏

November 19 at 4:31 PM

BD

Bella Dreamshade posted:

Mike, I cannot express the sorrow I feel at Shirley's passing, or to think of everything you went through. I continue to pray for your physical, emotional and spiritual healing, comfort, and greatest good. I will always cherish my memories of Shirley's kindness, acceptance and positivity that she shared with everyone in our circle. She led by example, and I admire her legacy so much. It's a blessing to have known you both, and I look forward to seeing you soon 🙏👉

November 19 at 10:39 AM



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Joyce Wicht posted:

Mike, my heart is hurting as I send my condolences to you for Shirley's passing. She was such a wonderful person, and a hard worker who dedicated countless hours of her time to Culpeper Hospital Gift Shop. I am grateful to have known her and pray for you and your family as you face these difficult days ahead. Joyce Wicht

November 19 at 7:46 AM



Liz Lopez posted:

Shirley and Mike are such joyful people. Adventurous for sure. We met Shirley nearly 40 years ago. We were part of a solid group that really stuck together (The original 9416). Mike and Shirley and others visited Valerie and me in Big Bear. That was a great weekend. Shirley was intellectual and creative with a real zest for life. She accepted everyone; Mike, too. She was very gifted in so many ways and very sure of herself. You are free now precious lady. Mike, Valerie and I are so very sorry. We pray you can heal your physical wounds. We know your heart is broken and you will find your way, Mike. You have so much left to do and I have a feeling Shirley will guide you. We know you are surrounded with love, ours included. Liz and Valerie ❤️🧡💛💚💙💜

November 19 at 6:52 AM



Ron Cerecedes posted:

Shirley and Mike Whittington will always be in my heart. My adult children remember and smile when we recount our swimming pool gathering. Shirley's smile lit up a room, will be bright within our memories throughout our lives.

November 18 at 6:17 PM



John Wiley posted:

Mike and family may the memories of Shirley of happy times, joyful smiles, hearty laughter and caring words help you through this difficult time. She was a wonderful person. Betsy & John Wiley

November 18 at 5:36 AM



Joan Proctor posted:

Mike, so sorry to hear about Shirley's passing. I remember her wonderful work with our hospital auxiliary. Hug to you and the family. Joan Proctor

November 17 at 11:34 AM



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Steven Dodson lit a candle in honor of Shirley.

Mrs Stergis my thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. I so sorry to hear about your loss. Please know if you need someone just to talk to let me know. Steven and Diane Dodson

November 16 at 6:00 PM



Janice J sent a virtual gift in honor of Shirley.

November 16 at 12:28 PM



Janice J lit a candle in honor of Shirley.

I will miss Shirley so much . Shirley was there for me when my son died in June and helped me so much during the 10 yrs I had the privilege of knowing Her. Shirley had wisdom , and was direct and to the point. Prayers , Comfort and Healing for the family.

November 16 at 12:26 PM



TR **Teresa Ramon** November 21 at 6:36 AM

Shirely you are amazing. I have wonderful memories. And I sent you my coin every year. The universe lost a great person. Love you always. terry

JD **Jim & Debbie** November 19 at 7:14 AM

Shirley was a one-of-a-kind lady. She was small in stature; but made up for it with the biggest heart (not to mention the biggest and best hugs). Shirley touched the hearts and souls of a lot of people and will be greatly missed by her "extended family." Rest in peace knowing that Mike will be surrounded by love. WE will all walk this journey together.

LL **Liz Lopez** November 19 at 6:30 AM

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Shirley by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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