



Shirley Laverne Sipes

December 4, 1939 - November 24, 2024

Shirley Laverne Sipes, 84 of Bloomington Indiana went to heaven peacefully on November 24th 2024 held in the arms of her son Michael. She loved the Lord, her sons, family, friends and Angel her cat that was never very far from his mommy.

She was preceeded in death by her husbands Dale Mingee and William Robert Sipes, her Life Partner later in life Franklin Enochs, father Chester Field Horton and mother Rose White and her husband Ernest White, sisters Louise Lawson and Lois Bennett, nephew Robert Horton and niece Vicky Bruhn, sister-in-laws Patsy Sipes and Ruby Lovell and brother-in-laws James Sipes, Jake Taylor, and Jim Lovell.

She is survived by her son Michael Dale Sipes and Girlfriend Wanda Tilley, grandsons Michael Sipes Jr, Bronson Sipes, Richard Sipes and his wife Brittany Lynn Sipes and great-granddaughters Briana and Skylar.

Son Randall Clark Sipes and his wife Donna, grandsons Christopher Sipes and wife Cindy Sipes, Dustin Sipes and Jason Sipes.

Her brother Chester Dale Horton and wife Loretta Horton, sister Rebecca Calabrese and husband Jeff Calabrese, her very special Niece Sylvia Franklin that spent many hours helping with her care and comfort, nieces Jacquylne

Booker, Susan Chambers, Helen Bergen, Lori Meadows, nephews Ricky Horton, Ronnie Sipes, Doug Nichols, Chris Calabrese, Josh Calabrese and other extended family including sister-in-laws Joanne Taylor and Norma Jean Turner and brother-in-law Raymond Sipes and many friends including her Grace at Work caretaker Jennifer Kubiak.

She was the kindest most humble yet strongwilled woman I have ever known and having her as our mother made my brother and I better men. She was our Angel on Earth and now she is our Angel in Heaven.

There will be a graveside service at Clear Creek Cemetery in Bloomington on Friday November 29th at 1:00 pm. Arrangements provided by the loving hearts of Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37 and Rev. Rick Borden. After the service everybody is welcome to join in a meal to fellowship and celebrate her life at Rev. Borden's church Mt Calvary Baptist Church 3900 S Snoddy Rd Bloomington, Indiana 47401.

Time Marches On and as my mother would say "God Bless" each and every one of You....

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com

Cemetery Details

Clear Creek Cemetery

W Church Lane
Bloomington, IN 47403

Previous Events

Graveside Service

NOV 30. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MJ

“ I spent many weekends with mamaw as a child. She and I would have parties, late at night. We'd walk to a gas station, and she'd get us little packages of chocolate donuts and drinks. Then we'd go back to her apartment and watch movies together until well past midnight. Then in the morning, she and I would walk to Hardee's and get a butter biscuit. She really loved her Hardee's butter biscuits. Then we'd walk her dog Peaches, and I'd sing to her a verse from Annie, a movie we watched together late one night...

*The sun will come out tomorrow
So you got to hang on 'til tomorrow, come what may!
Tomorrow, tomorrow, I love you tomorrow
You're only a day away
Tomorrow, tomorrow I love ya tomorrow
You're only a day away ...*

She would smile; it really tickled her heart to hear me sing it. She loved Disney movies, and we watched many of them together, along with some scary movies. She loved One Hundred and One Dalmatians, and so many others. She loved Disney movies because she loved animals; she loved family, empathy, hope and happiness. That's who she was. She was the most positive, uplifting, supportive and understanding person I have ever known, and miss her more than words could ever convey. A life is very much like a garden. Perfect moments can be had, but not preserved, except in memory. I will cherish those memories with mamaw for the rest of my life.

Michael Dale Sipes, Jr. - December 15, 2024 at 05:11 PM

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“ My wonderful mother in law Shirley came into my life in 1977 when Randall and I began dating. Mom was the nicest, warmest woman. She loved unconditionally, and was always there to celebrate in good times and support in bad times. She's always stood by me giving me strength and hope. She couldn't wait for her grandsons Bronson and Christopher were born so she could hold them both together in her arms! What a happy day! Mom, you're one of a kind, a treasured gem. We will all feel safe knowing you're in heaven watching over all your loved ones. Love Donna, Randall, Christopher, Cynthia, Dustin and Jason.



Donna Sipes - November 28, 2024 at 10:41 AM

DS

“ May 18, 1980. A special day when this wonderful woman became my mother in law. She accepted me into her life and gave unconditional love. Mom was always there for me from the first day I met her in 1977. Randy and I have been blessed. We love you mom. You will be dearly missed. Donna, Randall and your grandchildren Chris, Cindy, Dustin and Jason.



Donna Sipes - November 28, 2024 at 10:05 AM

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Donna Sipes - November 28, 2024 at 09:58 AM

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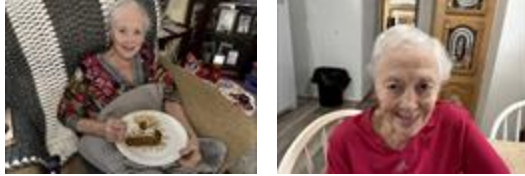
“ My Aunt Shirley was so very special to me. I have so many memories with her. Family holiday gatherings, phone calls, cards, random chats always about our love of animals and listening To Jimmy Swaggart gospel music. She had a beautiful and innocent heart of a child and we never left a visit or a call without telling each other over and over how much we loved each other. She will be missed and the world will be empty without her prescience. But oh what a beautiful reunion in heaven she is experiencing now. So until we meet again....I love you so very much and will see you again in heaven someday. You have left a beautiful imprint on my heart forever.

Love always, Sylvi Ann

sylvia Horton Franklin - November 27, 2024 at 03:16 PM

WT

“ I would like to send my condolences to the Horton and Sipes family for their loss of a beloved Mother,sister, aunt, and Grandmother. Shirley was one of a kind she was one of the most beautiful spirited person that I have ever had the pleasure of meeting. I was blessed to have met her son Michael and then again when I got to meet her. God bless you Shirley you will truly be missed in the hearts of many.



Wanda Tilley - November 27, 2024 at 01:14 PM