



## Shirley Mae Clifford

December 6, 1939 - March 17, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:

Shirley Mae Clifford

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – CAPE GIRARDEAU

829 North West End Boulevard, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Shirley Mae Clifford (sorry Shirley, Robert told me to list your middle name) of Cape Girardeau, MO passed away Sunday, March 17, 2024.

She was born Dec. 6, 1939 (again sorry for telling your age, please do not haunt me. Shirley never wanted ANYONE to know her age until the year, she turned 80, and then she wanted EVERYONE to know).

Her parents, Ernest and Vera Ann Cox, and her beloved Aunt, affectionately called "Nanney", who helped raise her, along with two sisters, Joyce Findley, and Sue Christensen preceded her in death.

She is survived by her two loving sons, Robert (Vickie) and Perry (Stephanie) Marler; seven grandchildren, ten great grandchildren, and five sisters, Debbie

Kay Cox, Hester Hargrove (Randall McGuire) Marie Cox, Amy Lee Day (Bruce Ford) and Mandy Schnepfer (Dodd).

Shirley had many friends throughout her life working at JC Penney, her Alumni and Red Hat Ladies meetings. One person in particular we want to give a great big thanks to is her friend from JC Penney, Sandy Doyle. Sandy was Shirley's "partner in crime", her "ride or die" and all around her best friend.

So many people knew Shirley and would stop her on the street and say they remembered her from JC Penney and of course, we would have to hear the stories. Shirley was an avid bargain hunter and would always brag at Christmas how she got someone's present 75 percent off the retail price. (She also wanted everyone to be careful with the wrapping paper and bags so she could reuse them the next year). I would probably get in trouble for saying that if she was here, but...I could go on and on (that is one of the perks of being one of her daughters-in-law) but I don't have enough time or paper for that matter.

Shirley will truly be missed by everyone who ever got the pleasure of knowing her.

Friends and family are welcome to the visitation on Tuesday, March 26 from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Crain Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau. A graveside Service will be on Wednesday, March 27 at 1:00 PM at the Hitt Cemetery in Success, AR.

Crain Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **26**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (cst)

Crain Funeral Home - Cape Girardeau  
829 N. West End Blvd  
(4 blocks north of Southeast Hospital)  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 335-3223  
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## Graveside Service

MAR **27**. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (cst)

Hitt Cemetery  
Success, AR

# Tribute Wall

LJ

“ Mrs Shirley and my mom Bea Brann were very good friends, they worked at Burkart in Cairo for many years , she never forget my sisters and I, Love and condolences to her family . Liz Brann Jones

Liz Jones - March 25, 2024 at 12:41 PM

TP

“ Prayers for comfort to the family, she was such a beautiful lady always smiling and friendly.

Tim and Ilene Pierce - March 22, 2024 at 08:50 AM

SM

“ Shirley is my mother-in-law. She loved her sons fiercely. She was incredibly proud of the men they have both become. She was always very thrifty in everything she did. Boy did she have a memory! She will be missed. Robert and Perry, I love you both bunches. I'm praying for you both at this time.

Stephanie Marler - March 21, 2024 at 04:46 PM

VO

Shirley, a cousin , like a sister to me. We spend vacations and times together as we grew up. Enjoyed time with her, Robert and Perry her sons seemed like my own sons. Really going to miss that lady and our chats. Robert and Perry and families, I love you all!!!! We pray for you through this difficult time. Love Aunt Vivian and Uncle Johnny

Vivian Owen - March 22, 2024 at 04:57 PM