



## Shirley Rose Whittard

August 1, 1937 - March 2, 2020

Shirley Rose Whittard, 82, of Cape Girardeau, died Monday, March 2, 2020, at The Lutheran Home in Cape.

Shirley was born August 1, 1937 in Perry County, Missouri, to Cletus and Stella (Sutterer) Klump.

Shirley graduated from St. Vincent's School in 1955, then she went to the Cape Girardeau School of Cosmetology, graduating in March 1956. She had a 59 year career, enjoying many patrons.

She was a member of the Cathedral of St. Mary, member of Council of Catholic Women, American Legion and Marine Corp League Auxiliaries. She and husband, Tom enjoyed volunteering at the Missouri Veterans Home and going on trips.

Shirley is survived by her devoted husband Tom, loving daughter, Jo Reeves, sister and brothers, Mary Lou Malloy, Melvin Klump, Roger (Joan) Klump, sisters-in-law Betty Klump and Aleen Klump, brother-in-law, Donnie Carron, many great and great-great nieces and nephews, friends and extended family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers, Leo Klump and Hilary Klump, sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy and Robert Fluegel and sister,

Kathleen Carron.

Visitation will be at the Crain Funeral Home and Cremation Service on Wednesday, March 4, from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Parish prayers will be at 7:00 P.M. Mass of Christian Burial will be at the Cathedral of St. Mary on March 5, 2020, at 10:00 A.M., with Father Allan Saunders as celebrant. Interment will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Mary Social Food Pantry, Missouri Veterans Home, or charity of donor's choice.

Shirley and family thank Dr. Andrew Moore and staff at Southeast Oncology for their great care and all who kept her in their prayers during her battle with bile duct cancer.

# Cemetery Details

## **St. Mary's Cemetery**

Perry Ave.  
Cape Girardeau, MO

# Tribute Wall



“ Shirley Rose Whittard

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ Shirley Whittard was a strong and courageous woman. She was my mother, Hildegard Bader's hairdresser for years. After my mother's death Shirley took it upon herself to place flowers on her grave. I live out of town and Shirley did this as a kindness through the years. When my sister, Dixie, visited Shirley always found time to do her hair. During tomato season, Shirley often brought tomatoes to the shop to give to her patrons. She spent her entire life reaching out to others. She will be missed. So sorry Tom, for your loss.

Judith Bader Jones - March 10, 2020 at 12:34 PM



“ Shirely was so wonderful to my family! A great friend to my grandmother Hiildegarde and her hairdresser for many years. She stayed in touch for years with me and my mother Dixie and would call to see how we were doing- so kind. My sincerest condolenes to Tom and her family.



With gratitude for Shirely,

Anne Friscia

Anne Friscia - March 10, 2020 at 12:27 AM

JA

“ Loved this lady so very much. She was my rock. After I lost my Mom she helped me so very much. She stayed 2 or 3 steps in front of me. Gave my son his first hair cut. She did things for him just like a Grandma. Aunt Shirley was a special person in our lives. I will miss our long talks by phone as we moved with the military and afterwards she was always just a phone call away for over 50 to 55 years. Aunt Shirley you now someone else's Angel! Miss you always

Jim & Dana Akin - March 03, 2020 at 11:11 PM

 Jo Reeves



Jo Reeves - March 04, 2020 at 01:55 AM

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“ The best advocate for our American Veterans.. as she and Tom volunteered at MoVet in many capacities... shed always remind everyone who wanted it run THEIR way. Shed say.. " THIS IS FOR THE VETERANS. or THIS IS THEIR HOME!! I LOVED WATCHING THE LOVE TAKE OFF BETWEEN TOM and SHIRLEY, they completed each other.. im THANKING GOD he allowed Shirleys path to cross with the veterans. And ESPECIALLY my life.. i loved and respected her.. thinking of her clients, friends and family at this time. Especially Tom and Jo! Paula and Dennis

Paula Wyckoff - March 03, 2020 at 12:39 PM

 Jo Reeves

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Jo Reeves - March 04, 2020 at 01:55 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Shirley Rose Whittard.



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March 03, 2020 at 09:09 AM



“ I remember Aunt Shirley's smile and laugh. Her enthusiasm for life and never-give-up attitude. She and Tom came to visit so many times when my Dad was hospitalized. You will be missed but I know we will see each other again! Love to cousin Jo and Tom.  
Terri (Klump)Peck, South Carolina

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**Terri Peck** - March 02, 2020 at 10:39 PM



“ Loved her from the first day I met her. As I grew into my teen years I dyed my hair. My Daddy was very mad at me, Took me to the beauty shop, said fix this girl! When h came back, Shirley said, we fixed her hair, but I pierced her ears. The look on his face was the look I received, when he saw my dyed hair. Shirley and I laughed so hard. Can't repeat what Daddy said he was going to pierce on us! Always kind& loving to our family. We will always love you. RIP  
Fly high..

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**Cousin Mary Edith Dopp** - March 02, 2020 at 06:27 PM