



Shirley Esselman

January 21, 1939 - September 16, 2021

Shirley A. Esselman, 82, of Perryville, MO passed away Thursday, September 16, 2021.

She was born January 21, 1939 in Ste. Genevieve, MO to Edward Lawrence and Ida Francis (Stuppy) Roth.

She and Leonard A. Esselman Jr. were married April 28, 1962 at Ste. Genevieve Catholic Church, Ste Genevieve, MO. He preceded her in death on September 28, 2016.

Shirley was a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Sereno, MO.

She worked as a skiver at Prince Gardner, St. Mary, MO for twenty-two years, and then worked at International Shoe factory, Perryville, MO for eight years. Shirley loved her family, the outdoors, animals, gardening, farming, and camping. She enjoyed playing cards, finding four leaf clovers, walking trails, and being with her beloved maltese dog, Rambo.

Survivors include two daughters: Lisa Ann (Dave) Perry of Arnold, MO and Annette Marie (Richard) Sharp of Weldon Spring, MO ; five grandchildren: Allen and Karen Perry, Joshua, Matthew, and Timothy Sharp, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; two brothers and sisters-in-law: Gilbert (Kathryn) Roth and Edgar (Nellie) Roth; and one sister and brother-in-law: Loretta (Glennon) Wright.

Visitation will be held at Ford and Young Funeral Home, Perryville on Thursday, September 23 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Friday, September 24 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Funeral Mass will be held at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Sereno on Friday, September 24 at 10:00 am with the Rev. Joe Geders C.M. and Deacon Jim Carter co-officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Perryville, MO.

In lieu of flowers family prefers memorial donations to the Alzheimer's Association or Masses.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com.

Ford and Young Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Cemetery

1215 Lemay Ferry
St. Louis, MO 63110

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **23.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Young Funeral Home
110 S. West St.
Perryville, MO 63775

Visitation

SEP **24.** 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM (CT)

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Mass

SEP **24.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church
Sereno, MO

Tribute Wall



“ Shirley Esselman

October 20, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ Shirley Esselman

October 20, 2023 at 01:44 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Shirley Esselman.



September 22, 2021 at 07:31 PM



“ Lisa, Ann, and families, we are so sorry to hear of Shirley's passing. We always loved talking to Shirley and Leonard. They both were always so friendly and fun to talk to. Sending our thoughts and prayers to you at this time.

Tim and Cathy Gremaud - September 22, 2021 at 01:30 PM



“ The Sharp Family. purchased the Gracious Laven der Basket for the family of Shirley Esselman.



The Sharp Family. - September 21, 2021 at 04:42 PM

RC

“ Shirley Used to babysit for my siblings and I in Saint Genevieve. She had her hands full!! She will be missed and remembered. Fr. Bill Rhinehart

Rev. Bill Rhinehart, C.M. - September 21, 2021 at 03:12 PM

LZ

“ So sorry to hear of her passing. Sending you Lisa and Dave and entire family lots of love and peace. See you Thursday night..love Brad and Linda Zikes

Linda Zikes - September 21, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Shirley Esselman.



September 21, 2021 at 11:51 AM

CP

“ I really enjoyed meeting her through Glenn Few. She was so fun to play cards with and such a sweet hostess. Thank you LORD for blessing us with her beautiful presence.

Christina Pohlman - September 20, 2021 at 08:58 AM

DG

“ I remember this sweet lady from Prince Gardner. Boy that was a long time ago! You have my sincere sympathy!

Deborah Gerler - September 19, 2021 at 11:31 PM

DE

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. We enjoyed having her as a patient at our office for so many years. Dr. Esswein and staff*

Dr. John Esswein - September 19, 2021 at 10:00 PM