



Shirley East

February 16, 1945 - February 17, 2024

Mrs. Shirley East, 79 of Arab, Alabama, passed away peacefully on February 17, 2024, at Marshall Manor Nursing Home in Guntersville, Alabama. Shirley was born in Norfolk, Virginia on February 16, 1945, to Curtis and Evelyn Austin. She married Alvie Eugene East, on May 29, 1964, and they celebrated 45 years of marriage before Alvie passed away in 2010. She loved traveling with Alvie and her family and was always eager to share stories from the past. She retired from Huntsville Hospital so she could care for her husband prior to his death. She loved Jesus and was always willing to share her love with others and pray for everyone. She is remembered as someone who loved her friends and family unconditionally, especially her grandbabies.

She is survived by her son Gene East (Shana); two daughters Cynthia Culver and Karen East; five grandchildren, Kristy Smith (Jeff), Kayla Gyempeh (Sam), Isabella Romero, Jackson East, and Lili Romero; and three great-grandchildren Hailey Smith, Jacob Bullock and Charlee Gyempeh and one stepbrother Jackie Boaz (Carolyn). She is also survived by several special cousins. She is preceded in death by her husband, Alvie; her parents Curtis and Evelyn, her brother Tommy Austin and son-in-love, Tommy Culver.

Graveside Service was 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at Huntsville Memory Gardens. Visitation was 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Monday at the Brindlee Mountain Chapel Funeral Home, Gober Funeral Chapel directing.

A very special thank you to the doctors, nurses and staff at Marshall Manor Nursing Home, Marshall Medical North and Shepherd's Cove Hospice who took care of her in the last few months and showered her with grace and love.

Cemetery Details

Huntsville Memory Gardens

6810 University Drive NW
Huntsville, AL 35806

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **19**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brindlee Mountain Chapel-Gober Funeral Chapel
3552 Highway 231
Lacey's Spring, AL 35754
(256) 586-8111
goberfuneralchapel@otelco.net

Graveside Service

FEB **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Huntsville Memory Gardens
6810 University Drive NW
Huntsville, AL 35806

Tribute Wall



“ Gober Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Shirley East



Gober Funeral Chapel - February 19, 2024 at 11:03 AM

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“ I'm so sorry for your family's loss. I worked with Shirley many years ago. She was a hard worker and loved her Savior!

Melony Thompson, LPN - March 05, 2024 at 08:37 AM

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“ I'll always remember my mama's best girlhood friend, Shirley East. We went to visit Shirley, Alvie, Cindy, Gean and Karen as children. I remember traveling down to Mobile Alabama one time to visit with them. We had the best time ...and still have pictures of those sweet innocent days. It breaks my heart that she has passed on but I will see her again, in Heaven one sweet day. 😊

Regina Mann Walker - February 20, 2024 at 09:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Shirley East.*



February 19, 2024 at 12:07 PM



“ *Mrs. Shirley was a light. She shined bright. Was joyful and spread that joy. Mrs. Shirley will be missed.*



Paula Nassadi - February 19, 2024 at 02:32 AM



“ *I worked closely with Shirley for a number of years while we were employed by Huntsville Hospital. I was a co worker as well as her supervisor too. Never had to worry about Shirley doing her job. She knew what to do and did it well. Heaven is a little brighter today and she's back with the love of her life Alvie. She will be missed here on earth* 💕💕💕

Shelia Thigpen - February 18, 2024 at 06:16 PM



“ *I worked with Ms. Shirley at Huntsville Hospital for many years. She always had a kind word, and was an encouragement. She loved her family without end, and hearing of her adventures with Mr. Alvie were always the best. I expect when she got to heaven her crown is too heavy, and the Lord provided her a wagon to pull it. Bless you all.*

Stephanie Bennett Shaneyfelt - February 18, 2024 at 05:43 PM



“ *My prayers are with her family! I had the privilege of working with Shirley at Woolworth’s in The Mall when I was 16. She was always so sweet and caring! She will be missed!* ”

Camilla Kritner Osborne - February 18, 2024 at 05:21 PM