



Shirley Ann Summers

August 18, 1950 - March 5, 2026

Shirley Ann Summers, born August 18, 1950, passed away peacefully on March 5, 2026, at the age of 75, surrounded by her loving family.

Shirley lived a vibrant and full life, leaving behind a legacy of love, strength, and devotion to her family. She was the loving wife of Benny for 41 years; a proud mother to Angela, Bryan, and Allison; a cherished grandmother of six; and a delighted great-grandmother of one.

If you were fortunate enough to meet Shirley, you walked away with happiness in your heart, a smile on your face, and the feeling that you had just met a friend for life. She was vibrant, hardworking, and deeply devoted to the people she loved. Shirley always made sure everyone else's needs were met before her own. She took great pride in keeping an immaculate home and believed in doing things the right way. She was strong-willed and didn't take anyone's nonsense, but her heart was as big as her personality.

For 27 years, Shirley worked at Ingersoll-Rand, where her dedication and strong work ethic reflected the same commitment she showed in every part of her life. Working alongside her sister and son, it wasn't just a job—it was a place that felt like home.

Shirley was adventurous, full of laughter, and a true spitfire who embraced every moment of life. She raised her children to be responsible and caring adults who value family just as much as she did. Shirley was endlessly proud of them and loved them unconditionally. One thing you could always count on—Shirley would be there. She never missed a game her children or

grandchildren played, always cheering them on from the sidelines with pride and joy.

Family time was at the center of Shirley's life. She loved traveling and especially treasured holidays spent surrounded by family. All of the grandkids loved Shirley's famous hashbrown casserole. They loved it so much that she always made a double batch—and you could be sure there wouldn't be a single morsel left.

After dinner was cleaned up, it was common to find Shirley gathered around the table with her husband, her sisters, and extended family playing a game of Rook. Those games often lasted for hours and became a cherished family tradition she always looked forward to.

As the oldest of three daughters, Shirley never grew tired of spending time with her sisters. Family vacations and dinners after church were cherished routines that she rarely missed and deeply valued. Shirley was also a devoted member of Cherry Mound Baptist Church, where she found great joy in singing hymns and praising the Lord alongside her church family.

Her love for her family was unquestionable. Even during life's toughest moments, Shirley carried herself with grace and a smile that rarely faded. A take-charge kind of woman, Shirley lived life fully and on her own terms. Some of her happiest moments were spent sitting on the back porch with family and friends, enjoying a cold beverage, reminiscing about the days of old, and making new memories in the moment.

Shirley is survived by her children and their spouses, Angela and Paul Goff, Bryan and Raquel Summers, and Allison Biggs and David Griffith; her sisters, Carolyn Leftwich and Sheila White; her grandchildren, Daulton Biggs and his wife, Raegan, Kaiden Biggs, Easton Biggs, Bradley Goff, Dylan Goff, and Gage Summers; and her great-grandchild, Dutton Biggs.

Shirley's warmth, strength, laughter, and unwavering love will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Though she may no longer be sitting at the table for a long game of Rook or relaxing on the back porch with family and friends, her presence will always be felt in those moments. Every shared meal, every

family gathering, and every burst of laughter will carry a piece of Shirley with it. The traditions she created and the love she poured into her family will continue for generations, just the way she would have wanted.

Burial will be at Pleasant Grove Cemetery in White House, Tennessee.

Visitation will be held at Austin & Bell Funeral Home in White House, Tennessee, on Monday, March 9, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and again on Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Cherry Mound Baptist Church in Cottontown, Tennessee. Funeral services will immediately follow the Tuesday visitation at the church at 12 p.m.

ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO AUSTIN & BELL 533 Highway 76 White House, Tennessee 37188 (615)672-5000 www.austinandbell.com

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Grove Cemetery

White House, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 9. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home White House
533 TN-76
White House, TN 37188
(615) 672-5000
<https://austinandbell.com>

Visitation

MAR 10. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Cherry Mound Baptist Church
Highway 31W
Cottontown, TN

Funeral Service

MAR 10. 12:00 PM (CT)

Cherry Mound Baptist Church
Highway 31W
Cottontown, TN

Tribute Wall

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“ Neil and Amy Minyard purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.



Neil and Amy Minyard - March 09 at 01:48 PM

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“ Neil and Amy Minyard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Ann Summers.

Neil and Amy Minyard - March 09 at 01:48 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.



March 09 at 11:39 AM



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“ 103 files added to the album LifeTributes



Austin & Bell Funeral Home - March 08 at 06:13 PM



“ She was one of the sweetest ladies I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. Always kind. I will never forget her. Prayers for the family. Always strive to be as kind as she was. Kristina Breeden from Simonton Eye Clinic.

Kristina Breeden - March 08 at 05:47 PM



“ Monte Kyle Staggs purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.



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“ I will cherish every memory and moment I spent with my sister. We've had some wonderful times together!! Rest in peace my dear sweet sister and I'll be seeing you. Love you!

Carolyn Leftwich - March 06 at 02:55 PM

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“ Dale & Debbie purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.



Dale & Debbie - March 06 at 02:38 PM

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