



Shirley Ford

December 26, 1942 - November 7, 2025

Graveside Funeral Services for Shirley Ford, age 82, of Cowan, Tennessee, and formerly of Cookeville, Tennessee, were conducted on Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 11:00 AM at the Arlington of Tennessee Cemetery in Cookeville, Tennessee. Rev. Bobby Floyd officiated. Ms. Ford was born on Saturday, December 26, 1942, in Putnam County, Tennessee, to the late James and Notie Whittaker Wise. Ms. Ford passed away on Friday, November 7, 2025, at her daughter's home in Cowan, Tennessee. Ms. Ford retired from Fleetguard with almost 30 years of service. She was a tow motor operator and one of the first female operators. She was a member of Friendship Global Methodist Church. She was survived by, 3 daughters and 2 sons-in-law, Eva Ford of Cowan, TN, Twila and James Bilbrey of Bell Buckle, TN, Bendalyn and Amadeo Garmajo of Sparta, TN; 1 son and daughter-in-law, Clayt and Dianne Ford of Monterey, TN; 6 grandchildren, Amanda (Scott) Smith, Matthew (Renee) Phillips, Tyler Ford, Jack Phillips, Laura Bilbrey, and Nathan Bilbrey; and 2 sisters, Theresa King and Annie Burnworth. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Clyde Ford; daughter, Mindy Ford; and sisters, Lois and Phyllis. The family received friends at the cemetery for graveside services. Arrangements and Care provided by D.M. Goff Funeral Home, Inc., 205 East Cleveland Avenue, Monterey, Tennessee 38574, Phone, 931.839.2311.

Cemetery Details

Arlington of Tennessee Cemetery

3456 Whittaker Road
Cookeville , TN 38506 (TN)

Previous Events

Graveside Funeral Services

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SA

“ Aunt Shirley was such a wonderful person and spent a lot of time with my family before my mother Phyllis passed away, Shirley's youngest sister. So many great childhood memories hanging out with cousins in Rockwood many years ago. Love and condolences to the family during this time.

Sean Abel - November 12, 2025 at 02:00 PM

JC

“ Shirley was one of my favorite aunts and I was forever getting into trouble with my cousins and she was the one to make sure we did not hurt each other.

Jacqueline Churchwell - November 11, 2025 at 01:30 PM

RS

“ To Shirley's Family, you are all in my prayers of comfort. Love, Ms. Sells

Retta Sells - November 10, 2025 at 06:58 PM

JH

“ Sorry for your loss

James Hotsinpillar - November 10, 2025 at 04:32 PM

NF

“ Norma Jean Freeman lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ford



Norma Jean Freeman - November 09, 2025 at 08:52 AM

DA

“ *My cousin Shirley was such a sweet woman to all. She was one spunky little ol' lady and received the best of care surrounded by her family. Hugs to you all and know she is now one of God's angels and with Clyde and Mindy.*

Diana Atkins - November 08, 2025 at 06:00 PM

LO

“ *Shirley ya where my ANGEL several times in my life ya always helped whom ever ya could. I'll always remember ya bubble smiling face .
Always remember never forgotten....
Lorene Osborn*

Lorene Sissy Osborn - November 08, 2025 at 03:35 PM