



## Shirley Ann Abshier

August 11, 1932 - July 3, 2014

Shirley Ann Abshier, 81, of Murphy, NC, formerly of Imlay City, MI., passed on June 21, 2014 after an extended illness courageous battle.

Shirley was born in Detroit, August 11, 1932, the daughter of the late Walter and Helen Forthoffer.

Her marriage to Robert J. Abshier was June 30, 1951. Robert died in 2006. Shirley lived in the Imlay City area for over 20 years. She raised her five children and then returned to school to become a home health nurse for 7 years before retiring in 1993 due to health concerns. She moved to Florida in 1983 and then to North Carolina in 2000. She enjoyed bowling and loved to cook.

Surviving are her two daughters, Maureen Ailor of Capac, MI, and Carolynn (Tim) Davis of Murphy, NC, and three sons, Glenn (Debbie) Abshier of Murphy, NC, Dennis (Diane) Abshier of Fort Richey and Gregory (Rachelle) of Grand Rapids, MI. She loved and cherished her ten grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by a son, Mark R. Abshier (2000), brother Walter P. Forthoffer and son-in-law, Darryl Ailor.

The family honors the memory of Shirley and invite you to visit and share memories Saturday, July 12, 2014, 9:00 to 10:45 a.m. at Kaatz Funeral Directors, Capac. Rite of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday at St. Johns Catholic Church, Allenton. Fr. Fred Kalaj will officiate. Burial will be in

Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Imlay City.

Memorials are suggested to "Wishes of the Family".

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 12. 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

Kaatz Funeral Directors - Capac  
202 N. Main Street  
Capac, MI

## Mass

JUL 12. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. John's The Evangelist  
872 Capac Road  
Allenton, MI

# Tribute Wall

LM

“ *Maureen, My sympathies to you and your family at this sad time in your lives,  
Linda (Pisariuk) May class of 70*

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**linda may** - July 11, 2014 at 09:54 AM

RG

“ My sweet Grandma,  
You were always doing a great job of taking care of everyone, always right there asking if anybody needed anything at all and you would lovingly provide, whether it be lending an ear, giving affection or advice, you were there. You had such great intuition, you could tell if something was wrong just by the vibe in the room. Nobody would go hungry when Granny was there, always fixing up something delicious and making sure no meal was missed, but I will miss that.  
I will always treasure all the advice and life tips you have shared with me through the years, like how making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich is easier and less messy if you put the peanut butter on one slice and jelly on the other, or how if you put your silverware right side up in the dishwasher they will come out cleaner, or how to make the best cabbage rolls known to man! Also how putting a little ginger in a cup of hot tea can calm an upset stomach, this I learned at age 4 when I remember you prepared this for me while cuddling with me on the couch and singing to me when I was not feeling well. These are things I think of often and will never ever forget.  
A very smart, loving and vibrant woman who held family togetherness as a priority and will be missed so much. As we look up at Papa's bright star in the sky, there is now another bright star right beside him. We love you so much <3

Love,  
Ranette



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Ranette Geldersma - July 10, 2014 at 08:41 AM

KB

“ *Maureen , , our deepest sympathies to you and your family. Keith and Janet Black, Bay City , Mi.*

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**Keith and Janet Black** - July 10, 2014 at 08:14 AM

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“ *Maureen, we offer our deepest sympathies to you and the rest of the Abshire family.*

*May your Mother rest in painless peace.*

*Imlay City High School Class of 1970*

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**Classmates ICHS Class of 1970** - July 09, 2014 at 09:06 PM

