



Mrs. Helen Rita Shofner

November 29, 1921 - January 4, 2024

Graveside services will be 2 PM Sunday, April 28, 2024, at Shofner Lutheran Church Cemetery,

Helen Rita Shofner, of Shelbyville, Tennessee, passed away on January 4th, 2024, after an extended illness.

Born on November 29, 1921, in Newport, Rhode Island, Helen was the daughter of the late Fredrick and Margaret (Sullivan) Goffe, of Newport Rhode Island. She was one of identical twins born to Fredrick and Margaret at that time, the other being Marion, or "Mim".

Helen was preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, Howard B. (Buddy) Shofner, Jr., her eldest daughter, Maureen Shofner Minch of Nashville, a niece Caroline Bidlack, a nephew Jared McGowan. another nephew John Christopher Shofner, both of Shelbyville and her twin sister Marion (Mim) Goffe Bidlack of Newport, Rhode Island.

Survivors include daughter Barbara Shofner Swain, son Howard Bentley Shofner, III (Debbie), nephews Donald and Kenneth Bidlack of Newport, RI, grandchildren Jena,

Zach, and Kyle

Swain of Shelbyville, and Allison Minch Singleton (Matthew) and Justin Minch of Nashville,

along with numerous great-grandchildren, grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

The family of Helen Shofner would like to thank the staff and administrators of Hickory

Gardens Assisted Living of Madison, TN for their care and support of Helen and the family.

Your kindness cannot be measured. A special thanks goes out to Jenn Harvey, the resident nurse

at Hickory Gardens, for her kindness and compassion. Lastly, our thanks go out to Adoration

Hospice, especially Chaplain Eddie, Nurses Laura and Cassie, and all others who contributed to

Helen's support in her transition.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR **28**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Shofner Lutheran Church Cemetery
2884 Highway 41A South
Wartrace, TN 37183

Tribute Wall

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“ *She was a lover of souls! Everybody she met child or adult woood! She was amazing for NO reason. I thank God for her! I call her an EARTH ANGEL! Thanks Mrs. Shofner! THANKS!*

Beverly Whitakerb keele Hewitt Hayes - April 23, 2024 at 01:35 PM

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“ *2 files added to the album Life of Helen*



Bentley Shofner - January 15, 2024 at 03:28 PM

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“ *Barbara, Bentley, and family, I was saddened to hear of your mother's death. I met her in 1970 at the Shofner home in Normandy while dating Barbara. She was a beautiful lady that was so gracious and kind. Mr. Shofner was a lucky man to have her in his life as they settled into the wonderful farm life in Normandy. My thoughts and prayers are with the family as they celebrate her life.*

*Steve Goodwin
Murfreesboro, TN*



Steve Goodwin - January 08, 2024 at 09:55 AM



“ *She was an absolute wonderful substitute teacher! Love and prayers to her family.* ”



Sherry Cooper - January 07, 2024 at 02:19 PM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall* ”



Bentley - January 05, 2024 at 04:56 PM