



## Shirley Dollinger

June 23, 1951 - August 22, 2016

Do not stand by my grave and weep I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow I am the diamond glints on snow I am the sunlight on ripened grain I am the gentle autumn rain.

When you awake in the morning's hush I am the swift upflinging rush, Of quiet birds in circling flight.

I am the soft starlight at night, Do not stand at my grave and cry I am not there, I did not die.

Bluefield, VA – Shirley Dollinger, 65 of Bluefield, VA passed away peacefully in her sleep with her daughter by her side Monday August 22, 2016 in a Bristol TN hospital. Shirley was born June 23, 1951 in Jenkinjones, WV and was a daughter of Lillian Mae Hughes Dollinger and the late James Elwood Dollinger. Shirley was a 1969 graduate of Gary High School and earned her Associate's Degree from George Washington University while working and raising her family. Shirley retired from General Service Administration in Washington, DC.

Shirley loved her family and two chihuahuas. She also, enjoyed traveling, gardening and trips to the beach.

In addition to her mother she is survived by her two daughters; Paula Illig of Bluefield, VA and Michelle Wilson of Key West, FL, two brothers Alan Dollinger of Princeton, WV and David Dollinger of Burke, VA and two grandchildren; Brandon Wilson and Chase Illig.

In following with Ms. Dollinger's wishes the body will be cremated and the family will have a private memorial service.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com) Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Shirley Dollinger.

# Tribute Wall



“ Shirley Dollinger

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ Alan, David, and Family,  
Sincere condolences for your family on the loss of your sister. All of you will be in my thoughts. May you have sweet memories and peace in your hearts.

Love, Patricia Grahovac Nogosky

Patricia Nogosky - August 26, 2016 at 09:33 PM



“ To the family: So sorry for your loss. Thinking of all of you.

Love, Ellen Grahovac and John Grahovac

Ellen Grahovac - August 26, 2016 at 09:27 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to Shirley's family! My company cleaned carpet and air ducts for her and when she would call to schedule, I so enjoyed talking to her about Gary High School.

Maria Conte Fly - August 24, 2016 at 10:57 AM

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“ Lillian, David and Alan - I am so sorry to hear of Shirley's passing. She will always hold a special place in my heart. We shared many classes together - starting in 7th grade at Anawalt Jr. High through 12th grade at Gary High and church on Sundays. I loved coming to your house after Church and just being together, We lost touch the past few years but she has and always will have a special place in my heart. My deepest sympathies to all her family.

*Until we meet in Glory!*

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**Dora Yates** - August 24, 2016 at 10:17 AM

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“ I am so sorry for your family of the loss of Shirley. She and I graduated together at GHS. Shirley was a beautiful girl inside and outwardly. Thoughts and prayers to the family.

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**Karen E. Hawks** - August 24, 2016 at 05:49 AM