



## Teresa Marlene Hornbarger Sharitz

August 23, 1949 - November 1, 2011

Bland, VA- Teresa Marlene Hornbarger Sharitz, 62, died Tuesday, November 1, 2011 at home surrounded by family and friends. She was born on August 23, 1949 in Squire, WV. Marlene spread the joy of life to those she encountered. She is survived by her son, Zachary Burgess of the home; Mother, Jean Hornbarger; Sisters Gloria Tyree, Debbie Simpkins, Denise Taylor and Cathy Hornbarger; Sister-in-Law Debbie Hornbarger; Brother-in-laws Mark Taylor and Trent Simpkins. She adored her nieces and nephews, Kristen Collins, Joshua Hornbarger, Kelli Green, Jacob Hornbarger, Matthew Saavedra, Lindsay Hazuka, Jonathan Taylor, Justin Goad, and Daniel Goad. Iris Fernandez, Nikki Rowe Chuga, and Lanny Rowe are lifetime "honorary" sisters and brother of the family. Rev. Michael and wife, Connie Bratton, Rev. Barbara Johnson, and Rev. Kay and husband Robert Dickerson provided immeasurable spiritual support for the entire family. Presley Sharitz, "Master P" is her beloved puppy who looked over her and is loved by the family. She is preceded in death by her Father, Leon Boyd Hornbarger; Brother, Larry Stephen Hornbarger; and Nephew, Michael Shane Hundley. Marlene graduated from Big Creek High School in War, WV and the Roanoke Memorial School of Nursing. She retired from The VA Medical Center in Beckley as Head of Surgical Services. She gave 37 years of dedicated service to the Veterans Administration and later worked for the Virginia Department of Corrections as a registered nurse. Services will be held at the Mercer Funeral Home, Bluefield, WV. Visitation is Thursday November 3, 2011 from 5:00 ?"

8:00 pm. Funeral services will be conducted on Friday November 4, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. from the Mercer Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Michael Bratton officiating. Nephews are honorary pallbearers. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to the Bland County Volunteer Rescue Squad, located at 67 Orchard View Lane, Bland, VA and Wytheville Hospice, located at Wytheville Community Hospital. Marlene was bigger than life itself. If we only had to choose a few words to describe her, these are a brief characterization: Christian, funny, loving, giving, arts, medicine and horses. The world is a much smaller place for her family and friends left behind, but the Heavenly Angels are rejoicing. 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 Teresa Marlene Hornbarger Sharitz.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Teresa Marlene Hornbarger Sharitz*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Hornbarger Family, I am so sorry for your loss. I just wanted each of you to know that I am thinking of you and have you in my prayers. Love and blessings to all of you.*

**Pam Pruitt Warden** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss... It is never easy to give up those we love.... no words can be said either to comfort... But do know that God is with you all at this time and he will b your comfort now... God bless all of you...*

**Tammy and Wilma Altizer** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ *I'm sorry to hear of Marlene's death but we lost touch after her marriage to philip. i believe marlene and I worked at stevens clinic together til she left in the early "70s" please call, 3044363386*

**wilma "clack" brown (coalwood) havaco, wv** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ *Debbie & family: I'm so sorry your family has lost Marlene and I'm thinking of you. From all the Facebook posts, it appears that Marlene and you have a deep faith in God. I know He will keep you in His loving care. Becky Holcomb, Berwind WV*

**Becky Holcomb Hunter** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

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“ *Marlene was one of the brightest stars ever to shine on this earth. She will be missed but we know she will always be watching over us all- kicking us in the rear and pushing us to greatness. Our love and prayers are with you all as we say, "See you later" to Marlene- our brave soldier and hero.*

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**The Johnstons and Sarah Parsell** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM