



## Shirley Colbert Stephenson

July 6, 1949 - May 1, 2021

Shirley Colbert Stephenson left us on May 1, 2021, to be with her Lord and Savior.

She was born July 6, 1949, at Falfurrias, Texas, to John Hall Colbert and Viola Bryan Colbert. On November 22, 1969, she was married at Dyersburg, Tennessee, to William R. Stephenson, who preceded her in death on November 9, 2017.

She was a member of Osage Baptist Church, Alpena, Arkansas. Shirley was loving, caring, kind and always respectful to others; she never met a stranger. She was a devoted Christian, wife and mother. Shirley sang beautifully and blessed many lived with her music; she was an accomplished private piano and voice teacher within her home for many years. Mrs. Stephenson was past President of the Beethoven Club and was involved in the Jr. Beethoven Club in Searcy, Arkansas. Shirley had been an active member of First Baptist Church in Searcy, Arkansas in past years with her husband, Bill and daughter, Laura. She loved to go fishing with Bill. Shirley was a wonderful seamstress. She was a very selfless person and gave the best back rubs and hugs. She was an excellent grandmother (Gan Gan) to her three grandsons.

Those she left behind are her daughter, Laura Stephenson Bolding and husband, Todd; three grandsons, Brock, Bennett and Blake Bolding; one

sister, Jeanne Colbert Ramsey and husband, Jim; one brother, Kenneth Colbert and wife, Betty; and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Shirley had friends from all walks of life and treasured them all. She was a true blessing to so many.

Her parents, husband and one sister, Judy Ramsey, preceded her in death.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to The Gideons International P.O. Box 97251 Washington, DC 20090-7251.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 15. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Curtis Hunt & The SWPA Friends purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Shirley Colbert Stephenson.*



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**Curtis Hunt & The SWPA Friends** - May 13, 2021 at 05:02 PM

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“ *Laura and Family, our thoughts and prayers are with you , Johnny & Mary Hodges*

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**Johnny & Mary Hodges** - May 12, 2021 at 09:20 AM

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“ *Laura, so sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. She was a special lady. So many memories of her and her beautiful voice. Marilyn Atkinson*

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**Marilyn Atkinson** - May 11, 2021 at 09:45 PM

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“ *we always loved you*



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**Pamela Mullins** - May 11, 2021 at 05:47 PM