



## Shirley Ellouise Daff

August 7, 1930 - August 23, 2017

Shirley Ellouise Daff, 87, a resident of Valley Head, West Virginia passed on from this life during the afternoon of August 23rd, 2017. Shirley was born August 7th, 1930 in Marlinton, WV and was the youngest child of the late William Ambrose and Edna Hartley Sage. She is preceded in death by nine siblings: Russell Sage, Mazie Hannah, Martha "Mattie" Tumblin, Mary Phillips, Ray Sage, Glenn Sage, Dena Foreback, Cecil Sage, and Josephine "Jo" Sharp. She is survived by one sister: Madeline Honeycutt. She married Meredith E. Daff on June 26th, 1954, who preceded her in death in 1971. Shirley is survived by three wonderful daughters: Sharon Ellouise Smith of Valley Head, Donna Gracealee Hamrick of Amelia, OH, and Merredith LaJean Gear of Valley Head and their husbands: Bruce Smith, Tim Hamrick, and Rick Gear. Shirley had five grandchildren: Hillary Fleck of Valley Bend, Miranda Hamrick of Cincinnati, OH, Jordan Smith and wife Amy of Huttonsville, Erica Roth and husband Adam of Huttonsville, and Natoshia Fike and husband Derrick of Elkins. In her final years she found what may have been the greatest joy of her life, her great-grandchildren: Sage and Fynn Fleck, Whitley and River Smith, Gideon Roth, and Avery and Parker Fike. Shirley worked for Randolph County Schools as an aid until her retirement in 1995. After her retirement she enjoyed travelling and socializing with friends. She was also famous among friends and family for the best bread in Valley Head and seemed to always have a fresh loaf or some hot rolls still warm from the oven. She was a passionate member of the Mt. View Church of the Nazarene in Huttonsville until the time of her death. Shirley was a lovely soul and brought joy into the lives of all those who knew her. She will be most remembered and missed as a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Friends may call from 12:00 pm until 2:00 pm Saturday, August 26, 2017 at the Tomblyn Funeral Home in Elkins. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 pm Saturday from the funeral home chapel with Pastor J. Tim Turner officiating. Interment will follow in the Mingo Cemetery. The Tomblyn Funeral Home of Elkins is in charge of the arrangements for Shirley Ellouise Daff. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.tomblynfuneralhome.com](http://www.tomblynfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery

# Events

Mingo Cemetery

**AUG 26**   **Visitation**   12:00PM - 02:00PM

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Tomblyn Funeral Home  
45 Randolph Ave, Elkins, WV, US, 26241

Mingo, WV,

**AUG 26**   **Funeral Service**   02:00PM

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# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Tomblyn Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - August 25, 2017 at 03:37 PM



“ Very nice photo album! Rest in peace Great Aunt Shirley, I wished I'd gotten know you better.

Terry Sage, Jr.  
(410)978-7243

**Terry** - September 05, 2017 at 10:05 PM



“ Rest in peace, sweet Aunt Shirley. I always enjoyed being around you and admired you so much. I pray that God will provide comfort, strength, and peace to all who knew and loved you and to all of your family members.

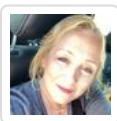
**Shirley Dearing** - September 05, 2017 at 11:17 PM



“ My love comes across the miles to the Daft family. Its been years since school but I will never forget Shirley's sweet smile and her love for her girls. She was a friend to my mother as well as my family. I share in your sadness at her departure .but, know our Mama's are singing and dancing with Jesus.

Libby Leary.

**Libby Chauncey** - September 21, 2017 at 09:19 PM



“ Aunt Shirley was an aunt to my father, Gibby Sage. She was the sister of my grandfather, Ray Sage. She was an absolutely beautiful lady and a faithful woman. I admired her and how she always took good care of herself. She never stopped putting herself together and making sure she looked good at all times. She was an inspiration, always very positive, and always thinking of others. I'll always remember her kindness, hospitality, and sense of humor. I know others will never forget when she made fresh bread and used the wooden duck on her porch to signal when it was ready to be picked up if you wanted some. She will be greatly missed, but forever in my heart. Prayers for the family and friends who loved her and watched over her. Aunt Shirley knew how much she was loved and appreciated. She was always so happy.

**Lori Sage** - September 07, 2017 at 11:33 PM

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“ Sharon, Donna, and Merridith, I am sorry to hear about Shirley. As I grew up, she was like another Mom to me. Mary Thompson



Mary Thompson - August 28, 2017 at 07:08 PM

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“ To Sharon, Meredith and Donna: I'm so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a beautiful woman. While in school, she always brought us kids such joy. She had a warm and tender way about her to make it a great place. I always remember Shirley smiling and laughing. She made the world a brighter place. Shirley was a beautiful icon of our community. She will be truly missed. My deepest sympathy and prayers go out to all three of you and your families.

With caring thoughts  
Doug Bodkins



Doug Bodkins - August 27, 2017 at 08:22 AM

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“ To the family of Shirley----- I am so sorry to hear of your Mom passing , She was a beautiful woman inside and out . She always had a smile every time i seen her. Hold onto all the fond memories you have made with her and she will always be with you. Our Deepest Sympathy----- Bobbie and Troy McCauley



Bobbie McCauley - August 26, 2017 at 10:09 AM



“ Having been friends with Meredith throughout my growing up, I spent many days and nights at Shirley's house. One night after Meredith and I had just gotten into bed, Shirley came in, kissed Meredith on the forehead and told her that she loved her. Shirley then did the same to me. She was the first person in this world to tell me that she loved me, and for that I will always be grateful. I passed her tradition on to both my children and my grandchildren. Thank you, Shirley for being the beautiful, kind and sweet person I will never forget. Your family was truly blessed to have you in their lives and I cannot imagine what they'll do without you. My deepest sympathies to all of them.

**Kim Townsend Verlander** - August 25, 2017 at 06:22 PM



“ Sandy lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ellouise Daff



**sandy** - August 25, 2017 at 05:44 PM



“ Carolyn Lindsay sent a virtual gift in memory of Shirley Ellouise Daff



**Carolyn Lindsay** - August 25, 2017 at 05:03 PM



“ Flowers sent in Memory of your mother Donna. May God comfort you and your family during this difficult time and the days ahead. Hugs and prayers. Joan Kasten and Family

**Joan Kasten** - August 25, 2017 at 02:43 PM



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“ 50 files added to the album LifeTributes



**Tomblyn Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - August 25, 2017 at 01:39 PM

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“ Roses in memory for your Momma, Sharon, and for your sisters and families also! I know you guys were a close family and you will miss her greatly! God be with and bless you all in this time of sorrow! You are thought of with love and sympathy! RIP SHIRLEY Sharon and Allen Armstrong



**Sharon and Allen Armstrong** - August 25, 2017 at 01:23 PM

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“ Delores Snelson lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ellouise Daff



**Delores Snelson** - August 25, 2017 at 01:19 PM



“ Rest In Peace Shirley

**Delores Snelson** - August 25, 2017 at 01:19 PM

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“ My prayers go out to the Daff family during the difficult time. I pray God grants you peace.

**Stan Taylor** - August 25, 2017 at 12:25 PM

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“ Shelia Shaffer sent a virtual gift in memory of Shirley Ellouise Daff



**Shelia Shaffer** - August 25, 2017 at 12:04 PM

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“ Sending many prayers for the family.....

**Ellen Fortney** - August 25, 2017 at 11:52 AM

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“ Cheryl See lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ellouise Daff



**Cheryl See** - August 25, 2017 at 09:53 AM

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“ Berman & Carolyn Meadows lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ellouise Daff



**berman & carolyn meadows** - August 25, 2017 at 09:19 AM

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“ She was a beautiful lady with a beautiful soul. She will be greatly missed.

**Casey Michelle** - August 25, 2017 at 08:32 AM

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“ Shirley was a dear friend and neighbor, my family will always remember her, may she rest in peace.



**Sandra Starr Nesbitt** - August 25, 2017 at 07:58 AM

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“ This beautiful lady always had a smile on her face. She made the best homemade bread too. She will definitely be missed but not forgotten. On behalf of Martha Reed and my family we offer our condolences.

**Steven Stotts** - August 25, 2017 at 07:22 AM

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“ Condolences & prayers for comfort & strength. Shirley was a beautiful woman and will be remembered.  
Roger & Trish Neely

trish neely - August 25, 2017 at 06:36 AM

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“ To the "Smith Girls" and families, I have fond memories of your mom as an Avon Lady. I thought she was absolutely the prettiest woman in Valley Head with her big hair and vivacious laugh, smelling so good! She was a wonderful lady.  
My condolences and prayers to each of you. Bless you during this sad time.

Sue Hevener - August 25, 2017 at 06:36 AM

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“ My heartfelt sympathies sadly go out to Sharon, Donna and Meredith, you all are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult period. Your mother was a leading member and role model for many in the community, her presence will be missed in the community but her new arrival in heaven will be much welcomed by God and the angels.

Steve Bodkins - August 25, 2017 at 05:40 AM

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“ Sharon, Meridth, Donna and All the Family of Shirley. We are so Sorry to hear of Shirley's Passing Away. We thought a lot Shirley. She was a Kind, Sweet, Caring, Beautiful Lady Inside and Out. When you saw Shirley anywhere, she would Always Smile and talk to you. May God Give you All Peace and Comfort in this Time of Need. Shirley is God's Angel now in Heaven Smiling down and Watching Over you All as your Guarding Angel. Hugs and Prayers to you All. ((RIP)) Shirley, Fly High With The Angels. You Will Be Sadly Loved and Missed By All Who Knew You. Love and God Bless.....Denver and Nancy Swecker



Denver and Nancy Swecker - August 25, 2017 at 01:21 AM

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“ To all the Daff family sorry to hear of your lose Shirley was a very loved and precious person she will be sadly missed  
Jerry and Connie Fortney and family



**connie and jerry fortney** - August 24, 2017 at 09:57 PM

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“ We will miss you bunches. Prayers to all the family.



**Sarah Haden and family** - August 24, 2017 at 08:06 PM

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“ We are so sorry to hear of Shirley's passing, may God comfort your family during this difficult time.



**Wes & Miranda Lambert** - August 24, 2017 at 07:49 PM

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“ Harvey & Judy Gum lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ellouise Daff



**Harvey & Judy Gum** - August 24, 2017 at 06:48 PM

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“ May God's peace and comfort be with your family. Ina Gear and Joyce Hughes

**Joyce Hughes** - August 24, 2017 at 05:39 PM

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“ To the Dad family- I am very sorry to hear of the passing of sweet Shirley! She was always such a lovely woman . Sending our love and prayers , Ashley (Roy) and Tim Newlon

**Ashley (Roy) Newlon** - August 24, 2017 at 03:37 PM