



## Shirley Burgher

May 15, 1943 - November 18, 2021

Shirley Burgher Age 78 of Hamilton, died Thursday, November 18, 2021 at Hospice of Hamilton. She was born in Reily Township on May 15, 1943, the daughter of Wilburn and Vella (Beckham) Bicknell. She was a graduate of Reily High School and she was an artist. Shirley married William G. Burgher in 1969 in Covington, Kentucky and he preceded her in death on December 29, 2003. She is survived by a son, Lynn A. Burgher, Forest Park, Ohio; five brothers, Mike (Brenda), Woodsfield, Ohio, Glenn (Judy), Bloomfield, Indiana, Tom, Mason, Ohio, Tim (Penny), Hamilton, Ohio, and Jerry Bicknell Seven Mile, Ohio, two sisters, Dawn (Steve) Harden, Hamilton and Rose Canniff., New Miami. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, William. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, November 22, 2021 at Weigel Funeral Home, 980 N. W. Washington Blvd., Hamilton, Ohio 45013 with Rev. Edwin Beck officiating. Visitation will be Monday from 12:30 p.m. until time of the service. Online condolences are available at [www.weigelfuneralhome.com](http://www.weigelfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **22**. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Weigel Funeral Home  
980 N.W. Washington Blvd.  
Hamilton, OH 45013  
(513) 892-1524  
<https://www.weigelfuneralhome.com/>

## Service

NOV **22**. 1:30 PM - 2:15 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *truly an amazing woman* 🙏🏻🕊️❤️  
*stay strong cheese* 💕

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“ My dear friend’s funeral is at 12:30pm today. It’s not that I do not wish to be there... if I was there, I would not nor could I say goodbye. My presence is unnecessary and that she and I have talked about on occasion. She didn’t like ”all that fancy-schmancy stuff.” She was a straight-shooter, independent as all-get-out, and smarter than a whipper snake! Giggle. That sounded just like her. Made my heart happy hearing her as I reread it. I can say I will miss her tater soup and those gorgeous green earrings of “mine” that she laughingly would not give back to me; she’s wearing them in this photo you’ve shared. In all honesty I would not give her my, excuse me, “her” green sweater back either. Giggle. This was us and it went on and on for over 35years. It is she who supported and lead me into painting as she was a professional artist. Her fantastic studio inspired me to set myself up one too- but nothing in comparison of hers’. She was larger than life. A beautiful, sometimes (hush my mouth 😊) soft person who’d give you the shirt off her back as long as you did everything within your power that you could do to help yourself. A community activist, an outspoken Republican whom loved our country and deeply respectable of my right to my opposite political views- never once allowing politics to splinter a conversation. We loved each other too much to do that. She owned ‘The Navajo Gallery’ which sponsored Native American artist on the southwestern reservations along with the local artist too. In fact that is where I met her as I was buying a turquoise ring for my husband’s birthday. There is not a day The Lady wasn’t saddling-up and mounting the beast that robbed her of her mobility; MS. For years she simply refused to allow the SOB to overpower her as she fought it with everything she could find- including that grit from her rodeo days. Though the beast won in the end you can bet it runs around with it’s head cut off! She too was an Avon tour guide. Those in that position had to be a flawless spectacle of beauty as they were the face of Avon in it’s hay day in the ‘60’s and greeted all incoming corporate executives touring their prosperous plant. She was an avid gardener and loved iris and had 100’s in her mound-filled yard. She gave me my first two and got me started on mine. She was such an inspiration to me in so many ways. A big sister

*that I had never had. Never mushy; always supporting. I love her. Thank you all for listening to that love for a woman that's coming from my heart... -❤️Ani Gentry*

**Ani Rose Gentry** - November 22, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Shirley Burgher.*

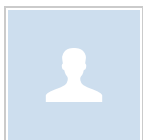


November 21, 2021 at 11:47 AM



“ *To Shirley's family and many, many friends and classmates, my sincerest condolences. Shirley cared about everyone she met, especially Native Americans and how they lived! I have fond memories of Shirley from our Reily High school days, and sled riding in the snow! Shirley always handled our class reunions. She will be sorely missed by everyone! Prayers for everyone ! Clyde Randall Patrick, Hamilton. Ohio*

**Clyde Randall Patrick** - November 21, 2021 at 10:27 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Shirley Burgher.*



November 19, 2021 at 07:04 PM