



Shirley K. Stevens

June 14, 1928 - November 7, 2018

Shirley K. Stevens of Cadillac left this Earthly life and went into the arms of Jesus, Wednesday, November 7, 2018 where her husband Jack R. Stevens and her parents Leonard Austin DeFord and Martha Kathleen Davis DeFord were waiting for her.

She was 90 years old born June 14, 1928 in Columbus, Ohio at Whitecross Hospital the first girl in the family for generations. Later she moved to Lansing, MI where she graduated from Sexton High School and married Jack R. Stevens.

She moved to Cadillac in 1952 and attended the Mercy School of Nursing and graduated as a licensed practical nurse and worked at Mercy Hospital for many years. She was active in her church, Cadillac Assembly of God, working as the church secretary, church maintenance and Sunday school teacher and superintendent. She loved her boat the Jubilee, her schnauzers, Kelly and Kody and gardening her beautiful lilac plants. She was called the Lilac Lady. She enjoyed deer hunting with her husband and friends.

Later in life she found a calling at the United Methodist Church in Cadillac and spent her final years attending services.

She is survived by her brother, Jack L. DeFord and wife Beverly of Charlotte, Michigan; her children Melody A. Stevens of Cadillac, Michelle A. Stevens of

Cadillac and Pastor Mark A. Stevens and wife Bonnie of Adams, Wisconsin her three grandchildren, Trisha Peach and husband Scott, Erika Goffin and husband Ken and Shawn Stevens and wife Siemona; 10 great grandchildren and a foster son, Matthew Cornell and wife Heather.

A celebration of life memorial service will be 12:30 PM, Saturday, April 27, 2019 at the United Methodist Church of Cadillac with Reverend Thomas Ball officiating. Visitation will be from 11:30 to 12:30 at the church. Her final resting place will be Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac.

An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Your mom had an interesting life and a wonderful family. Enjoy the memories. You are in our thoughts*

Karen Bos - November 11, 2018 at 07:44 AM

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“ *To the Children of Jack and Shirley...We send our thoughts and prayers to you and your families for our sad loss. Your dad was our fantastic high school music director and your mom was a wonderful partner.*

Chuck and Judy Durham, Redondo Beach, CA - November 10, 2018 at 04:15 PM

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“ *Shirley was blessed with such a loving, kind and caring daughter. Yes, Melody was ALWAYS there for her mother. The Lord has taken Shirley home now and she is at eternal peace. Alleluia !*

Jerry & Diane Leavell - November 10, 2018 at 02:25 PM