



## Shirley A. Caberea

May 30, 1946 - November 5, 2020

Shirley A. Caberea, 74 of 1026 N. Taylor Ave. Mason City who died Thursday, November 5, 2020 at Mercy One Mason City.

A funeral mass will be held at 10:30 Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at Epiphany Parish, Holy Family, 714 N. Adams, Mason City. Officiating will be Father Josh Link. Visitation will be from 5 until 8:00 pm, Monday at Fullerton Funeral Home, 123, 2nd ST SE. A parish rosary will be held at 7:00 pm followed by a vigil service. Interment will be in Elmwood-St. Joseph Cemetery. Masks and social distancing will be required during visitation and at the funeral. The funeral will also be live streamed from the church. For a full obituary and picture please see the Fullerton website and Facebook as it becomes available.

Shirley was born on May 30, 1946 in Coalport, Iowa. She was a daughter of Harold and Myra (Valentine) Rankin. She graduated from Monroe High School. She then attended NIACC and Buena Vista with a degree in Business Management. She was united in marriage to Thomas Caberea on June 26, 1972 in Sioux Falls, SD. To this union was born two sons. Shirley was employed by Federal Upholstery as a seamstress for many years. This also carried into her home life sewing many items for family and friends. She also worked for the Credit Bureau and was a manager of Merry Maids. Most of all, being a mom and grandma was her favorite "job" of all. Shirley very much loved to cook and bake. She was a talker and loved laughing with family and a multitude of friends. Another joy was her Yorkshire terrier babies, Gypsi, Callie, Malachi and Baby Gypsi. Shirley loved to go to Casinos.

Shirley is survived by her two sons Dimitri and Dominic Caberea, daughter Michelle and two step-daughters, Teresa Haroutunian and Margaret Jamaica, one step-son, Tom Jr Caberea. Grandchildren Antonio and Joanna Caberea, Jammy Klinner, Sabrina Choi, Frankie, Eric, and, Chantal Jamaica, Avo, Vasken, and Lisa Haroutunian, Israel Cabrera, and Romel Cabrera, and Jael (Josh) Kuster, and 16 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by sisters Darlene Palm of Knoxville, IA, Margaret Ball (Phil) of Garland TX, Carolyn Rankin of Omaha NE, brothers Dean (Janice) Rankin and Jerald (Celeste) of

Knoxville, IA, Brother-in-laws Al Brungardt of Newton IA and Larry Nicholson of Knoxville, IA, many nephews and nieces and great nieces and nephews with Jenni being her "favorite neice," and her special friend Mindy.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents Harold and Myra Rankin, husband Thomas in October 2014, Stepsons Salvador and Thomas, Sisters Judy Brungardt, Faye Nicholson, Bobbi Ford, and brother Chuck Rankin.

Fullerton Funeral Home, 123 2nd ST SE, Mason City, Iowa 50401-3904 641-423-8676  
Fullertonfh.com Facebook/Fullertonfuneralhomes

# Cemetery

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# Events

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Elmwood-St Joseph Cemetery

Mason City, IA,

**NOV**  
**9**

**Visitation** 05:00PM - 08:00PM

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Fullerton Funeral Home in Mason City  
123 2nd St. SE, Mason City, IA, US, 50401

**NOV**  
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**Rosary Service** 07:00PM

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**Parish Wake Service** 07:30PM

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**NOV**  
**10**

**Mass of Christian Burial** 10:30AM

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Holy Family Catholic Church  
714 N Adams Ave., Mason City, IA, US, 50401

**NOV**  
**10**

**Graveside Service** 11:30AM

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Elmwood-St Joseph Cemetery  
Mason City, IA, US

# Comments

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“ Shirley I am so glad we have been in touch these last few years. I don't know what I would've done without you when I lost mom earlier this year. You stayed up late nights, listening to me and giving me advice and guidance when I needed it the most. For that I will be forever grateful. I will never forget the day that we removed the sewing machine from the cabinet. We both laughed so hard I thought for sure that sewing machine was going to fall on my head. And also the day that I put that perm in your hair, even though I had never put a perm in my entire life for anyone. I will also cherish all the laughter that we shared, even when we laughed so hard neither one could speak. You will always be in my heart each and every day. Thank you for being the greatest aunt ever.

**Cindy Wineland** - November 09, 2020 at 10:18 PM

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“ I am so glad we have been in touch these last several years, Shirley. Our best times together were in our senior year - coming back to school the evening before the school paper was due out the next day! Staying til midnight, typing like mad and running that mimeograph machine!!! Best school paper ever! Miss you, Sweet Friend.

**Donna Richie** - November 09, 2020 at 02:52 AM

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“ with each passing year, I became more valuable because of her. can attribute my gold front tooth to a fight we had when my head hit a metal bed frame. I've had it since i was twelve. we always traded jobs with me painting Toms Harley and her sewing seats in my GMC and my black Chevy. fly high big sister. RIP love JELLY

**jerald rankin** - November 08, 2020 at 09:57 AM

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“ I loved the past few years with Shirley. We spent many hours on phone and laughing and at times a teary exchange of hurts. Sharing memories and both of us bragging about our grandchildren was a favorite thing to do. Sewing was a hobby for each so loved doing that too. Will always treasure the two week visit she made to our house in Texas. She will be greatly missed.

**Margaret Ball** - November 07, 2020 at 06:20 PM