



## Shirley Ann Johnson

January 31, 1936 - January 6, 2020

FOSTER CITY- Shirley Ann Johnson, age 83, passed from this world into her heavenly home on Monday, January 6, 2020, at Dickinson Memorial Hospital, Iron Mountain, MI.

Shirley was born in Escanaba on January 31, 1936, the daughter of the late Joseph and Louise Robinette of Hardwood.

Shirley was the youngest of 11 children. Shirley was raised in Hardwood, where the Robinette General Store was a center of the community. She made many lifelong friends that were patrons of the store. Shirley also attended Longfellow School and later Felch High School where she graduated in 1954.

On July 30, 1955, she married her sweetheart Allen Swan Johnson of Foster City. Shirley moved from Hardwood to Foster City, where she and Allen started their family.

Shirley was a child at heart, she loved spending time with her children. She enjoyed being outside and playing games with her children, such as 500, Jarts, badminton, climbing apple trees and picking apples. She enjoyed spending time with family and friends and always had an open door for anyone who wanted to visit.

Shirley made her home a gathering place for all her children's friends, especially during the winter months where there was always a welcome smile and a card game or board game to be played by all who wanted to participate. Much laughter filled the house because Shirley made it that way. Shirley was involved in a Women's Softball team with her daughter and played many a game in which the whole community enjoyed watching.

Shirley was involved in and attended Saint Joseph Catholic Church with her family where she participated in many church picnics and serving many meals at various church functions. She had a very generous heart and always had candy available for children. During the Christmas season, she always had a gift for the mail man, bus driver and various others in her community. She was also famous for her Swedish buns, which everyone called "Shirley buns," which she generously gave out to anyone who wanted a bag. Even when she was a resident of Evergreen Assisted Living, she always had candy for other resident members and the staff.

Shirley will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her children, Joseph (Kristy) Johnson of Vicksburg, MS, Lana (Mark) Ostlund, Gladstone, MI, Rod (Michelle) Johnson, Vulcan, MI, Dan (Darlene) Johnson, Kingsford, MI, Larry (Rhonda) Johnson, Felch, MI. She is also survived by her siblings, Alice Charlevoix, Betty Cary, Don Robinette and Harold Robinette. And her grandchildren, Tyler Ostlund, Amanda (Tim) Schultz, Stephanie Johnson, Erica (Chris) Roell, Cory Johnson, Abby Johnson, Zachary Johnson, Jenna Johnson and Katie Hazelwood and eight great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Louise Robinette, and seven siblings and her husband, Allen Johnson.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, January 11 from 9:00 to 11:00 am (CST) with a Celebration of Life Mass at 11:00 and a luncheon to follow at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Foster City. Officiating the service will be the Rev. Darryl Pepin.

Interment will be held at the Foster City Cemetery in the spring.

# Cemetery Details

## Foster City Cemetery

Foster City, MI 49834

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 11. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Church  
W2332 Cemetery Road  
Foster City, MI 49834

## Memorial Mass

JAN 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Church  
W2332 Cemetery Road  
Foster City, MI 49834

# Tribute Wall



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Teresa Hunt - January 09, 2020 at 07:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Johnson.



January 09, 2020 at 09:32 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish* was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Johnson.



January 08, 2020 at 08:17 PM



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



January 08, 2020 at 06:35 PM

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“ *Johnson Family,*

*The U.P. will never be the same. We all loved her very much.*

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**The Hunt family** - January 07, 2020 at 07:34 PM

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“ *For 20+ years I have called Shirley my friend. We spent several years exchanging letters. I usually wrote 1 for every one of her 5 (she loved to remind me of this). One time she sent me a cake recipe, so I sent her a cake. I never knew what opening her letters would bring, but I always knew there would be a laugh. Phone calls replaced the letters, and we would talk sometimes for hours. I will miss that. I loved the visits we had when I was in town, and all the updates on her family. She loved them so much. Thank you Johnson families for sharing her. I am so proud to call her my friend and will miss her with all my heart.*

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**Teresa Hunt** - January 07, 2020 at 07:30 PM