



Shirley May Spencer

December 6, 1953 - April 8, 2022

Passed away peacefully surrounded by her family at Hospice Peterborough after a battle with cancer in her 69th year. Shirley was the loving and devoted wife and soul mate of Dan Spencer. Cherished daughter of the late Roy and Elsie Mullen. Devoted and loving mother to Steve, Ang, Jenn (Tony Hopkins). Amazing grandma to Blake, Cody, Jazmine, Alexis, Bevon, Addy, and Spencer. Great-Grandma to Nixon. Sister of Marie Mackie, Ken Mullen (Lorraine), and the late George Mullen.

Shirley was a gentle soul and homemaker and she loved taking care of her husband and her children.

A private family celebration of life will be held this Summer.

As expressions of sympathy, donations to Hospice Peterborough would be appreciated.

The family would like to thank the staff at Hospice Peterborough for their kindness and care.

Condolences may be left at www.communityalternative.ca.

Tribute Wall

RL

“ *Bob/Robert Lee My sister Catherine/Ce Lee and I lived next door to Shirley's parents family farm. Between our house and the Mullens farm complex were two important geographic features, a very large and very level pasture where the Milk cows spent most days and on the other side of the lane to their house was a very steep hill, so steep that it was not ploughed or used for a hay field. These features along with the farm itself were the main recreational features of our small neighbourhood. The pasture was the ball diamond in use almost every spring and summer evening when the cows were being milked and the hill in winter as the main tobogganing site I was quite a bit older than Shirley so I spent more time with her syblings Marie, Ken and George but I have several memories of Shirley and her determined good nature. Once she was in the front seat of the toboggan which was headed towards the fence that was very close to the bottom of the slope. The rest of the riders jumped off in time but Shirley hit the fence full force . We all thought she was hurt badly but she just jumped up dusted the snow off , picked up the rope and started pulling the toboggan back up the hill for another run. We all thought 'what a trooper'. A few years before that we were picking teams to play ball one evening. As I was one of the oldest kids I was in charge of picking a team and usually the choice was from oldest to youngest Shirley who was about three at the time was there when the last pick was to be made and I decided that she was too small to play. She was very upset and went home in tears and I have regretted it ever since.*

Robert Lee - April 18, 2022 at 02:14 PM

BG

“ *Saddened by the news & sending our deepest sympathies and prayers Dan & family. God Bless.*

Brian Good - April 16, 2022 at 02:19 PM

MR

“ Our condolences to the entire family at the loss of Shirley. May you find comfort in your memories.

Mike & Rita Reuter - April 11, 2022 at 10:49 AM

KH

“ We met Shirley and Dan purely by chance in Destin Florida and just really hit it off. We looked forward to reuniting every winter. Shirley was just a sweet, lovely friend and we will miss her horribly. We feel blessed that we were able to spend time with her in January. We spoke often about her children and grandchildren\u2026she was a proud mother and grandma. Thankful that we could call her a good friend. Don and Kathy Hagerman

Kathy Hagerman - April 09, 2022 at 01:47 PM

HD

“ Sending our deepest sympathies to you all. Shirley was the best sister in law. Taught me a lot about cooking and even making her famous icicle pickles. She was always full of life and kind to everyone she met. THE world will have a huge empty spot in it now but heaven will be glowing gaining this angel. She will be missed. Jerry and Holly

Holly Deighton - April 08, 2022 at 08:51 PM

PM

“ She was the best sister in law to me . You will be missed ,

Patti Ann Mullen - April 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM

DO

“ Sending deepest sympathy to Dan and family. I’ve known Shirley for a lifetime. Her birthday was the same as my dad’s so I always remembered! I spent more time at the Mullen farm than at my own home. We climbed trees and sat in branches to eat ripe apples, tobogganed down the Mullen hill, made tunnels in the hay bales in the barn, walked the fields and visited the Mullen pond . There was a rope swing in the barn and Shirley fell one day. I ran to get Elsie and she gave us all the dickens while tending to Shirley, who was uninjured. I remember Elsie ran out of the house so fast that day that she left the kitchen tap on and water came rushing out the door when she got back to the house. I ran home quickly! The Mullen family was so patient with me as I could be found more often than not sitting on their front porch. I also remember picking raspberries and I don’t know who started it, George or Shirley, but we got tossing them at one another and we were caught by Elsie again. Shirley and I rode the bus and sat together every day from Fairview Public and then to Crestwood. I still have a book she gave me in Public school. We’d always kid each other in high school when we passed in the hall..hey Trudy, hey Mullems! I was a bridesmaid when she married the love of her life, Dan! I ran into her once at a grocery store in Norwood and we frightened all the other shoppers by screaming and jumping around\big embrace! To keep in touch I connected with Shirley on Facebook. Deeply saddened by this news and thinking about Dan and family, all of whom she was so proud of.

Deb Oliver - April 08, 2022 at 08:14 PM