



Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins

August 23, 1925 - August 10, 2018

SHIRLEY- Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins, 92, of Shirley, died Friday, August 10, 2018, in the Health Alliance Leominster Hospital surrounded by her family.

She was born in Shirley, on August 23, 1925, a daughter of the late Jerome G. and Emily G. (Hunt) Wheeler and was a lifelong resident of Shirley.

Mabel worked as a stitcher for the George Frost Company for 30 years, retiring in 1990.

She was a member of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, where she sang in the choir, was a member of their prayer group and Ladies Sodality, formerly known as the Children of Mary. She cherished her times spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren

Her husband of 56 years, Roy L. Folkins died in 2009. She leaves six daughters, Marie L. Weeks of Clinton, Dolores A. Guercio and her husband Lee "Chip", Joanne E. Folkins, Susan G. Brand and her husband David and Denise B. Leonardi and her husband Eric all of Shirley and Lisa G. Shaw and her husband Tony of Harvard; a sister, Dorothy Cardillo of Shirley; 13 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and several nephews and nieces.

In addition to her husband she is predeceased by her two brothers, Lyle

Wheeler and Robert Wheeler, her sister Georgianna “Lulu” Contois and her son in law Richard L Weeks.

Her funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, August 14, at 10AM in St. Anthony’s Church, 14 Phoenix Street, Shirley. Burial will be in the Center Cemetery. Calling hours will be held on Monday, August 13, from 4 to 7PM in the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Rd., (Rte. 2A) Ayer.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Shirley Historical Society, 182 Center Rd, Shirley, MA 01464, Shirley Meeting House, 1 Brown Rd, Shirley, MA 01464 or the National Kidney Foundation, 209 W Central St, Natick, MA 01760.

Cemetery Details

Center Cemetery

Brown Rd.
Shirley, MA 01464

Previous Events

Calling Hours

AUG 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A
Ayer, MA 01432
(978) 772-2355

Funeral Mass

AUG 14. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Anthony's Church
14 Phoenix Street
Shirley, MA

Tribute Wall

DI

“ *Diane sent a virtual gift in memory of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins*



diane - August 09, 2020 at 02:14 PM

DI

“ *lots of fond memories of Mable..many years ago when we used to visit .regards, Diane &Earle Folkins*

diane - August 09, 2020 at 02:12 PM

LR

“ *Denise,*

Sorry to hear of your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

Laurie Robicheau - August 30, 2018 at 06:25 PM

NS

“ *Denise and family...*

So sorry for your lost, thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Nancy Sherwin

Nancy Sherwin - August 14, 2018 at 08:00 PM

RG

“ *My deepest condolences on the passing of your mom, she was such a beautiful person and I loved her voice when I sang a year or two with her in the choir. My prayers are with you all during this most difficult time.*

Rich Gendron - August 14, 2018 at 11:25 AM

RF

“ *So very sorry to hear about your mom. Randy is working in Nova Scotia and was unable to make it. You are all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*
Randy & Donna Folkins



Randy & Donna Folkin - August 14, 2018 at 11:04 AM

BG

“ *Barbara And Genevieve sent a virtual gift in memory of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins*



Barbara and Genevieve - August 14, 2018 at 09:11 AM

MS

“ *Susan,*
I was sad to hear that your mom passed. I know she was older and probably has been failing over the last few years. But, losing your mom is like losing your best friend. Sorry.
Maryann Sargent

Maryann Sargent - August 13, 2018 at 12:53 PM

DP

“ To all the Folkins girls, we are very sorry to hear the loss of Mabel, a fine lady and was always wonderful to my family. You are all in our prayers.

Dale Prentiss - August 13, 2018 at 11:24 AM



“ Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins.



August 13, 2018 at 10:37 AM

MC

“ Aunt Mabel practiced Toni home permanents on me when my mother was in the TB Hospital in Waltham. Maybe she had a feeling she would have six daughters ? A sweet aunt and Godmother. She is missed all ready.

Mary Camerota - August 13, 2018 at 10:23 AM

SU

“ Saddest day ever! Mabel was LOVE. I sang with her in the choir, went to school with some of her wonderful girls...she was always so loving and caring...she is in Heavenly bliss with Jesus whom she was so dedicated to for sure. Lots of love and prayers for all of you. Sue (Saball) Macomber xoxoxo

Sue - August 13, 2018 at 10:03 AM

L#

“ Love Eileen (aka #7) purchased the *In Comfort and Peace* for the family of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins.



Love Eileen (aka #7) - August 13, 2018 at 09:58 AM

JL

“ My condolences go to you all. she was a wonderful woman. thoughts and prayers with you all.

Jenn Lynch - August 12, 2018 at 06:54 PM

TF

“ The Collard Family lit a candle in memory of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins



The Collard family - August 12, 2018 at 11:33 AM

CL

“ Charlie, Kathy and Matt Luciano purchased the *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden* for the family of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins.



Charlie, Kathy and Matt Luciano - August 11, 2018 at 11:13 PM

JC

“ John & Marian Cardillo lit a candle in memory of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins



John & Marian Cardillo - August 11, 2018 at 11:08 PM

JC

Aunt Mabel was a very loving woman.. always pleasant .. she was a joy to chat with.. she will be missed.love John and Marian Cardillo

John & Marian Cardillo - August 11, 2018 at 11:14 PM

TC

Susan and David and to the Folkins/Wheeler family, my deepest sympathy to you. May all the happy times (I am sure you have many) with Mabel help you through the sadness. Such a lovely woman.
Tobe Conway

Tobe Conway - August 15, 2018 at 01:38 PM

DB

“ Going to miss our calls about NOTHING..... She loved to talk on the phone and of course so did I..... Love you Mable

David Brand - August 11, 2018 at 09:31 PM



“ Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins.



August 11, 2018 at 09:21 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Mabel G. (Wheeler) Folkins.



August 11, 2018 at 09:15 PM



“ *What can I say about my Aunt Mabel? She had a kind gentle soul and loved the Lord. Her laugh would get the whole room laughing. Another great loss for the Wheeler family.*

Rosemary Farrar - August 11, 2018 at 08:55 PM