



## Shirley Ann (Lowd) Ward

October 13, 1946 - June 14, 2023

TOWNSEND: Shirley A. (Lowd) Ward, 76, a longtime Townsend resident, died Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at Apple Valley Center, Ayer.

Shirley was born in Acton, October 13, 1946, a daughter of Edward and Florence (Harriman) Lowd and had resided in Townsend and Clinton.

Throughout her career, Shirley held several positions including being a lunch lady at Spaulding Memorial School and Squanacook Elementary School both in Townsend. She also had worked at Riverside Restaurant in Brookline, NH, Elsa Williams Manufacturing and Grant Plastics Company both in Townsend. Shirley was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in West Townsend, enjoyed crafting and was an avid Red Sox fan.

Shirley leaves two sons and daughters in law, Eric J. & Kimberly Ward of Ashby, Daniel E. and Christa Ward of Greenville, NH; her daughter and son in law, Melody S. and Chris Cotter of Pepperell; seven grandchildren, Ashley Hills, Elizabeth Leger, Ethan Ward, Lukas Ward, Brytney McDonald, Zachery McDonald, Noah McDonald and three great grandchildren, Savannah Hills, Cameron Hills and Eric Oliver.

In 2008 she was predeceased by her husband, Robert B. Ward, and in 2000, her sister, Linda Freel of Sterling.

Shirley's family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours 4-7 PM  
Monday, June 19, 2023 at the Anderson funeral Home, 250 Main Street (Rte  
119) Townsend Center. Burial will be held privately.  
[www.andersonfuneral.com](http://www.andersonfuneral.com).

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

JUN **19**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Townsend  
250 Main Street ~ Route 119  
Townsend, MA 01469  
(978) 597-2692

# Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann (Lowd) Ward.*



June 18, 2023 at 11:09 AM



“ *It was an honor to know Shirley. She reminded me of my own mother. Glad she is smiling with Bob again. She said he always made her laugh. Karen and Russell Jobe*

**Karen and Russell Jobe** - June 17, 2023 at 04:52 PM



“ *I went with Shirley and Linda for Thanksgiving a couple times. They were a very welcoming family. Condolences to Eric and the rest of the family. I lost touch with Shirley a number of years ago.*

**Marjorie Cook** - June 16, 2023 at 02:47 PM



“ *My condolences to the family during this difficult time.*



**Brenda Rodgers** - June 14, 2023 at 10:41 PM

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“ sorry for your loss. Shirley ward was always a very hard worker and she was a very happy person. She was very kind to everyone she met also.

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**carolyn frank** - June 14, 2023 at 06:54 PM

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*Shirley was a roommate of mine my final year at Glen Cove, along with Linda (Walker) Dow. I graduated in 1965 and she in '67, right?  
Condolences to her family.  
Freda Hatfield Tong*

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**Freda Tong** - June 16, 2023 at 12:49 AM