



Myrna R. Sheldon

July 31, 2023

ADRIAN- Myrna R. Sheldon, 90, died on Monday, July 31, 2023 at Aspen Grove Assisted Living in Lambertville, MI.

Myrna and her first husband, Gerald “Jerry” Bahs were married on August 15, 1952, in anticipation of Jerry being drafted to serve in the Korean conflict. Jerry reported to basic training in December that same year and served his country in the Army for almost two years. During that time, Myrna lived with her mother-in-law and worked, saving money for a down payment on a homestead. While Jerry was away, Myrna learned to knit which became a lifelong hobby. Together she and Jerry made a life as small part-time farmers. Myrna loved being outside tending a large vegetable garden to feed her family through the winter. Jerry and Myrna enjoyed almost twenty years of married life before his sudden passing and were blessed with two daughters who survive her: Karen Zook (Ohio); Anne (Jeff) Hittler (Michigan); and special daughter, Sylvia Reybaud (Uruguay).

Myrna then shifted from part-time employment to working full-time at Tom Prange Auto Village in the office. In 1980, she married Richard “Dick” Sheldon and shortly moved to Bay City, Michigan. They enjoyed the area and Myrna grew her love and collection of Hummels becoming a thirty-five-year Hummel club member. She further expanded her hobbies into flower arranging and worked part-time at a local florist. After Dick’s passing in 1986, Myrna

relocated back to Adrian and returned to the car dealership business, working for Mann Buick Mazda until she retired in 1998.

Myrna's gardening interest shifted to her yard and perennials. She joined the Adrian Women's Garden Club and was fastidious about the appearance of her home's curb appeal. She was able to remain in the house she built in Adrian for thirty years.

She enjoyed playing cards from bridge to euchre throughout her lifetime. In retirement, she connected with high school classmates for gatherings and a group of church ladies for regular breakfast gatherings at The Tip Top. Myrna often joined her extended family on local camping trips.

She was a founding member of Hope Lutheran Church assuming Jerry's role on the building committee after his passing. She enjoyed Bible study and served in many ways from Worship Director to being a member of the weekly kitchen teams cooking Wednesday evening dinner for members. She could often be found pruning and cleaning the landscaping to the church entrance. In her later years, Myrna enjoyed the companionship of two dogs: Tanner and Dooley. She would spoil them by sharing her food with them frequently. They spent many hours together in her kitchen or watching TV in the evenings.

Myrna shared her appreciation for fine jewelry with her daughter, Anne, and they often traveled together where they would purchase items. Karen and Myrna spent hours together doing craft projects and candy making. Both her daughters inherited their mother's green thumb and love for "digging in the dirt." In May 2023, we celebrated her 90th birthday with a small family gathering.

In addition to her daughters, she is survived by three grandchildren: Greg Hittler (Joy McKay) of Texas; Alyse (Matthew) DeLange of Ohio; and Evan

(Kaitlyn) Zook of Indiana. Great grandchildren: Evelyn McKay Hittler, Beau DeLange, Margaret DeLange, Lillian DeLange, and Aiden Simpson. Sister: Dianne Cottrill and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Roland and Mildred Miller, her younger sister, Linda Moyer, and brothers-in-law, Warren Cottrill and Myron Moyer.

Visitation will take place on Saturday, August 5, 2023 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian. Visitation will be held on Sunday, August 6, 2023 at 2 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church, Adrian with funeral services starting at 3 p.m. with Pastor Paul Herter officiating. Cremation will follow Myrna's funeral service.

The family has designated Hope Lutheran Church or the Lenawee County Humane Society for any memorials in Myrna's honor. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
1501 W. Maumee St.
Adrian, MI 49221
(517) 263-1400
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com
<https://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com>

Visitation

AUG 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Hope Lutheran Church
5625 WUS 223
Adrian, MI

Funeral Service

AUG 6. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Hope Lutheran Church
5625 WUS 223
Adrian, MI

Tribute Wall

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“ Tina B. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Myrna R. Sheldon.

Tina B. - August 04, 2023 at 01:15 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Myrna R. Sheldon.



August 04, 2023 at 08:47 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Myrna R. Sheldon.

August 02, 2023 at 05:37 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Myrna R. Sheldon.



August 02, 2023 at 05:37 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Myrna R. Sheldon.



August 02, 2023 at 02:44 PM



“ From the Corporate QMS Team. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Myrna R. Sheldon.



From the Corporate QMS Team. - August 02, 2023 at 02:06 PM



“ From the Corporate QMS Team purchased the Garden Accent - "My Mother kept a garden..." for the family of Myrna R. Sheldon.



From the Corporate QMS Team - August 02, 2023 at 01:54 PM