



Sherry J Joseph

March 4, 1938 - November 12, 2023

Sherry Jan Joseph, 85, of Napoleon, Ohio passed away on Sunday, November 12, 2023 at CHP Defiance Inpatient Hospice. She was born on March 4, 1938 in Bluffton, Ohio to the late Oliver and Avonelle (Amstutz) Zimmerman. On December 31, 1955, she married Lester Joel Joseph at her parent's home in Bluffton.

Sherry worked for the Napoleon City Schools as a custodian while she raised her family. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Napoleon, where she was very active with the youth and Sunday school. Sherry enjoyed working with the Girl Scouts and helped Lester with the Boy Scouts. She enjoyed doing puzzles, reading, and sewing in her spare time. Sherry liked being outside and enjoyed the birds that visited her backyard. She and Lester loved to camp in Michigan at Hartwick Pines. Her greatest joy was to be surrounded by her family, especially all of her grandchildren.

Sherry is survived by her children, Stephanie (Steven) Swanson, Leslie (Dana) Vogel, Craig (Deb) Joseph, Shelly (Roger) Bell, and Kelly (Amy) Joseph; 14 grandchildren; 29 great grandchildren; 6 great great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Lester; and brother, Dr. Donald Zimmerman.

Service will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to Sara's Garden

620 Leggit Street, Wauseon, Ohio 43567. Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at rodenbergergray.com. Arrangements entrusted to Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am thankful for being able to get to know Sherry better over the last several years when I got to deliver communion to her and spend time visiting her. I feel blessed by her kind spirit and friendship that she extended to me. My sympathies to the family.

Lynn Yarnell - November 16, 2023 at 09:32 PM

VM

“ Stephanie, Leslie, Craig, Shelly and Kelly: Your house was the most fun place on Main St.! Your Mom was so kind and accommodating in all our crazy schemes and games. She always let us bake our Jiffy cakes in her kitchen for our pretend weddings at your house. Treasure the good memories! Keeping all your family in my prayers - Sincerely, Vickie (Joseph) Mitchell

Victoria Mitchell - November 16, 2023 at 10:11 AM

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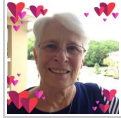
“ I've had the opportunity to me Ms Joseph over the years and she's always been such a sweet lady. Sending love and hugs to her family and Heaven has gained a pretty sweet Angel.

Genia Donley - November 15, 2023 at 12:01 PM

JF

“ Sherry was a special lady! We helped provide transportation to our church from Van Crest and she was always so eager and grateful for the ride. It was such a positive way to begin the day, I will miss her. Sympathy and prayers to the entire family. John and Barb Fritz

John and Barb Fritz - November 15, 2023 at 08:52 AM



Sherry and I were friends since our children were babies, We went to the same church together. She was a very sweet Lady and my sister Sandy and I enjoyed her friendship very much

Connie Cobb - November 15, 2023 at 05:43 PM

TM

“ *Earth lost an absolute angel while Heaven gained an amazing bright star. Mrs. Joseph was a "second mom" to me for nearly years. Always sweet, caring, and thoughtful. She will be missed but her love and character live on in the legacy of the family she and Joel devoted their lives to raising and caring for. My condolences and love to you all.*

Todd Miller - November 14, 2023 at 09:06 PM

DS

“ *To the family of Sherry Joseph:*

Sherry was such a joy at our church. No matter what was going on with her health or life, she was always smiling and so grateful that we would come over to Vancrest to get her and her friends for services and then bring her home. She was a light in our sanctuary, and we will miss her very much. We were blessed to have her join us.

*Pastor Diane Simon
Holgate Community Church*

Diane Simon - November 14, 2023 at 02:54 PM

MZ

“ *Cousin Sherry was a joy to know. She had lots of old family stories and knew our family history very well. I'll miss the chats we shared.*

Mike Zimmerman - November 14, 2023 at 08:34 AM

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“ Sherry will be greatly missed. I have known her for a short time, but she has quickly impacted my life. She recently came to the Holgate Community Church, where I attend and I had the privilege to get to know her there. She was always positive, happy, and grateful to come to our church across the street from Vancrest. I loved talking with her, hearing of her family and the things she did growing up for her church family. I will miss her greatly but know she is very happy being with her Lord and Savior. Until we meet again Sherry, I will hold you in my heart. Prayers of peace and comfort for the family.

Angela Moore - November 13, 2023 at 06:46 PM

LD

“ Shelly, You have my deepest sympathy. Your mom was such a nice lady. I will miss visiting with her at VanCrest. Lori Drewes

Lori Drewes - November 13, 2023 at 06:43 PM

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“ Leslie, Carrie & Heidi,

I was so sorry to read about Sherry. Please know you will all be in our prayers.

Glenn and Jayna Small - November 13, 2023 at 02:40 PM