



## Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley

April 3, 1927 - August 9, 2018

Marie Poulas Shirley of Hartsville, a devoted believer in her Lord Jesus Christ, passed away on August 9, 2018, after a long battle with Alzheimers. Born April 3, 1927, to James Arthur Poulas, Sr. and Ethel Wadell Poulas, she grew up in Florence, SC and graduated in 1944 from Florence High School. She attended McLeod School of Nursing. During this time, she met the love of her life, the late Bob A. Shirley, Sr. They were married for 67 years.

Marie retired from the Darlington County School District. She was an excellent dancer and she and Bob were members of several dance clubs. Cooking was another passion for Marie, and you could often find friends and family around her table. She valued family enjoying many trips with the "Poulas Clan" to the beach where they had talent shows, political debates, reminisced about growing up in a family of 13, played password and shared lots of laughter and love.

Marie is survived by her children Andy Shirley, Surfside Beach, SC; Steve Shirley (Susan), Lawrenceville, GA; Billy Shirley (Johnna), Hartsville, SC and Sharon Howle (Wayne), Darlington, SC. Grandchildren: Katherine Shirley Remmert (BT), Anderson Shirley, Will Shirley (Lee), Nils Shirley (Mary Margaret), Philip Howle (Beth), Grainger Howle, Kendall Howle, Phillip Coonfield (Leslie) and Erin Jordan and 11 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by four sisters: Ellen Poston, Betty McLellen, Jeanette Jordan and

Patricia Boykin and three brother-in-laws Gene Nitz, James Sauls and Frank Boykin.

Mrs. Shirley was pre-deceased by her husband Bob A. Shirley, Sr., brothers: James Poulas and Kenneth Poulas and two sisters: Van Nitz and Von Sauls. The family will welcome friends for visitation at Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home on Saturday, August 11th, 4:00-6:00 pm. Marie's celebration of life will be held on Sunday, August 12th, 2:00 pm at West Hartsville Baptist Church with burial immediately following at Magnolia Cemetery. The Rev. Dr. Kevin Walters will officiate

The family would like to thank Agape Hospice, The Florence Presbyterian Communities and Dr. Jimmy Bell for their compassion and care. Memorials are suggested to West Hartsville Baptist Church, 1003 W. Carolina Avenue, Hartsville, SC 29550.

# Cemetery Details

## Magnolia Cemetery

140 South Cedar Lane  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
(843) 383-3004

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 11.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home  
306 W. Home Ave.  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
(843) 332-6531  
info@bpafuneralhome.com  
<http://www.bpafuneralhome.com>

## Service

**AUG 12.** 2:00 PM (ET)

West Hartsville Baptist Church  
1003 W. Carolina Ave.  
Hartsville, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brown - Pennington - Atkins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



**Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home** - August 11, 2018 at 06:47 PM

CP

*Beautiful Cherished Memories.*

**Carol Powers** - August 11, 2018 at 09:54 PM

ED

*Cried my way through that video! Marie was a ray of sunshine in my childhood, a touch of God's Grace! Our houses backed up to each other, and I was in and out of her house as much as my own, and she treated me like one of her children. She was beautiful, funny, strong and determined, faithful in every way- and a good dancer on top of it all! As this generation continues to leave us, we lose important anchors in our lives. May precious 'Ree rest in God's loving peace! Eric Dudley*

**Eric Dudley** - August 12, 2018 at 08:54 AM

GK

*Such fond memories of happy times spent with Marie.my thoughts and prayers for her family, love Ginger*

**Ginger King** - August 12, 2018 at 10:33 PM

CS

“ Charles And Lavonde Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley



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**Charles and Lavonde Smith** - August 13, 2018 at 09:18 PM

JG

“ Jewel Walters Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley



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**Jewel Walters Gibson** - August 13, 2018 at 08:42 PM

JG

“ Jeff Galloway lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley



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**Jeff Galloway** - August 13, 2018 at 12:52 PM

DG

“ My prayers are with you and your family..I'm sorry for your loss.  
Dawn Grantham

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**Dawn Grantham** - August 11, 2018 at 07:25 PM



“ Cheryl Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley



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**Cheryl Taylor** - August 11, 2018 at 05:07 PM

NP

“ I was saddened to hear of Ms. Marie's passing. In the short time I was around her, it was obvious to me how much she loved Mr. Bob and her family. A strong, intelligent woman that touched so many lives. The tribute was beautiful, and it did mention what a great cook she was. I am fortunate to have a few of her special recipes tucked away in my cookbook. Love and prayers to you all in this difficult time.

Nancy

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**Nancy Payne** - August 11, 2018 at 04:53 PM

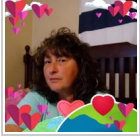
DC

“ With deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one.



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**Dawn Calhoun** - August 11, 2018 at 03:57 PM



“ *Annette Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



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**Annette Moore** - August 11, 2018 at 01:30 PM



“ *Larry Byrd lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



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**Larry Byrd** - August 11, 2018 at 12:20 PM



“ *Carol Powers lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



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**Carol Powers** - August 11, 2018 at 11:54 AM



“ *Andy and family, I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Please know I'm holding you all in my heart and prayers. She and your Daddy left so many with special memories of our childhoods. I pray GOD will comfort you and give you peace. All my love, Olivia McDonald Baird*

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**Olivia Baird** - August 11, 2018 at 11:19 AM



“ 47 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home** - August 11, 2018 at 10:33 AM



“ *Sandra Moosy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



**Sandra Moosy** - August 11, 2018 at 10:28 AM



“ *Kathy Mcfarland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



**kathy mcfarland** - August 11, 2018 at 09:09 AM

SM

“ Sid Moore lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Marie Poulas Shirley



Sid Moore - August 11, 2018 at 07:48 AM

JM

“ Jane Mayhew lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Marie Poulas Shirley



Jane Mayhew - August 10, 2018 at 10:03 PM

EB

“ Eric Bradshaw lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Marie Poulas Shirley



Eric Bradshaw - August 10, 2018 at 09:43 PM

EB

*One of the sweetest lady that I know! Love and prayers for the family,*

Eric Bradshaw - August 10, 2018 at 09:44 PM

KL

*Love and prayers to each of you during this time in your life. Hold on to your faith*

Kathy Lawhon - August 11, 2018 at 09:03 AM

JB

“ *Jeff & Carol Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



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**jeff & carol bryant** - August 10, 2018 at 07:15 PM

LE

“ *Larry & Jen Easterling lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



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**Larry & Jen Easterling** - August 10, 2018 at 07:09 PM

DB

“ *Dick Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Marie Poulas Shirley*



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**Dick Brown** - August 10, 2018 at 05:35 PM

CL

“ *May God wrap his loving arms a round  
All of you  
Sending you lots of love and prayers  
Lawrence & Cindy Lowe*

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**Cindy Lowe** - August 10, 2018 at 03:36 PM

LL

“ *Wishing you peace to bring you comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories of your mother to forever hold in your heart. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*



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**Lori and Randy Lowe** - August 10, 2018 at 01:45 PM

AT

*Thinking of all of you during this difficult time. Prayers! Hugs!!*

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**abby tyner** - August 10, 2018 at 01:20 PM

EH

*Such a beautiful lady! Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Eric Hayes** - August 11, 2018 at 11:06 AM