



Valdi Lois Shierling

October 20, 1934 - March 20, 2020

Valdi Lois “Val” Shierling, age 85, of St. Augustine, passed away peacefully on March 20, 2020 at the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Florida. Born in Glens Ferry, Idaho, Val began working right after high school graduation as an Aide at Bonners Ferry General Hospital and Sand Point General in Idaho, and later worked as an office manager for Emerald Maintenance. She met and married William R. “Bill” Shierling and lived in many places following Bill’s career as a Building Contractor. Upon relocated to St. Augustine, Florida, Val began working as an Office Manager for St. Augustine Animal Clinic, where she stayed for 24 years, while also being a wonderful homemaker and raising three children. She most recently worked for Matanzas Animal Clinic, until retiring in 2011. Val was a member of Wando Woods Baptist Church in Charleston SC. Through the years she was a member of First Baptist Church of Jacksonville Beach and Ancient City Baptist in St. Augustine. She was a founding member of St. Augustine Baptist Church and was currently a member of Anastasia Baptist Church, SR 16 campus. Val taught Sunday School for 40 years, and in 2011 Val began serving with the homebound ministry, by daily calling church members who were unable to physically attend church. She was a faithful servant of Jesus Christ, a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend to many. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her beloved husband of 67 years, Bill Shierling of St.

Augustine; daughter, Corinne Hill, and her husband, Steve, of Eustis, FL; sons, Richard Owen Shierling, and his wife, Marla, of Jacksonville and Ronald William Shierling, and his wife, Pamela, of St. Augustine; brother, Carrel Richard Hurst of Summerville, Oregon; grandchildren, Ronald, Jeff, Allison, Justin, Sidney, Samuel and Jake, and 13 great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24th at the St. Johns Family Funeral Home. In keeping with the CDC Coronavirus guidelines we will restrict the number of guest to 50 persons during the visitation. We ask that guests with a surnames beginning with letters A-M come between the hours of 6 to 7 pm, and guest with surnames beginning with letters N-Z come between the hours of 7 to 8 pm. A private funeral service will take place on Wednesday at St. Johns Family Funeral Home with Pastor Dan Ott officiating. Because of the limited number of people who can attend, this service will be livestreamed on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pg/St-Johns-Family-Funeral-Home-1275485799289411/videos>. A private interment will take place at Jacksonville National Cemetery on Thursday. In lieu of flowers, donations in Val's memory can be made to: Mayo Clinic, Attn: Cancer Research, and mail to Mayo Clinic, Department of Development, 200 First St. SW, Rochester, MN 55905.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Jacksonville National Cemetery

4083 Lannie Road
Jacksonville, FL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 24. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home
385 SR 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084
(904) 824-1625
<https://www.stjohnsfamilyfuneralhome.com>

Private Service

MAR 25. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home
385 State Road 207
St. Augustine, FL

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Valdi Lois Shierling*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - March 23, 2020 at 11:46 AM

CR

“ *Val was a brilliant ray of sunshine to our myeloma support group. We will never forget her charming wit and her stoic, uncomplaining fortitude in dealing with this disease. She will continue to be an inspiration to me and to others, I'm sure, as well. Bill, it was obvious to me that you were a devoted, loving husband. She couldn't have fared as well as she did, and for as long as she did, without your constant care and companionship. Please take care of yourself during this time. Cindy Richetti*

Cindy Richetti - March 25, 2020 at 01:15 PM



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St. Johns Family Funeral Home - March 23, 2020 at 11:31 AM



“ *I can't think of a single thing about this family that doesn't touch me and make me feel a part. Val was the best role model for a Christian woman and I hope I carry the marks of those shared moments. Val didn't just go to heaven that day; she stormed the gates carrying all our hearts and names to prepare a place for us to join later too! Thank you Val and love you and yours.*

Lori Legendre - March 22, 2020 at 10:36 AM

WN

“ Val, Bill, and their entire family are truly ‘Salt of the Earth’ people. For three years as pastor at St. Augustine Baptist Church, I came to know ‘Val.’ I would like to think I served her well as a pastor, but truly I learned more from from her - what meekness entailed: strength, humility, intelligence combined by and powered by love. She was for Trish and I (for all) a faithful and honest friend. When someone was in her presence one knew her to be a person of great integrity and of great depth. Often, Val and her husband Bill became windows and mirrors through which the love of God reflected upon our lives. Val, I still hear your voice; and can see your smile. On occasions I still imagine your look of motherly caution signaling me to pause, think, and pray more about my attitude and thoughts before acting. My heart is saddened by your departure, but I trust you are as wonderful as ever with the Lord. I am forever indebted to you....., and our friends in St. Augustine.

*William “Chip” (Patricia, Julia, and Scotty) Nicholas
(Chaplain MAJ, US Army: Retired)*

William Nicholas - March 22, 2020 at 12:14 AM

DW

“ Debra L Windham purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Valdi Lois Shierling.



Debra L Windham - March 21, 2020 at 08:42 PM

FD

“ My cousin ,Valdi shared her brother’s, Sid, and Carrel R. And her parents Lois and C B Hurst, and their home with my brother Larry Devine and myself Faye Devine in 1952. Not only their home part of their life, but their love for each other , definitely, they learned to love two city kids. Valdi shared her love and showed her love in many ways. . She was my. Sister cousin.

Valdi and Bill broke bread with us many times before they moved away.

She asked me to watch over her Momma and Daddy. . Which I did as best as I could. .

I loved Valdi very much. I pray for her family. Faye Devine

Faye Devine - March 21, 2020 at 07:46 PM

BC

“ Bill, I was sorry to learn of Val’s passing. May God be a special strength and care in this time of need. Bob Cook

Bob Cook - March 21, 2020 at 07:35 PM

BM

“ Val and Bill were special encouragers and supporters during our years in St Augustine. I don’t remember ever hearing about her journey from Idaho to St. Augustine, but she brightened a lot of lives in her relationships in her life through these years. Always a pleasant disposition, an engaging personality, and a warm and beautiful smile. Sorry we live across state (Pensacola) so we can’t share personally with the family.

Blessings to all the family.

Bobby and Yvonne Musselwhite - March 21, 2020 at 06:44 PM



Jennifer
Draper

“ *Mrs. Shierling will be missed by who were blessed to know her. Her faith in the Lord was always steadfast and true. I'm so lucky to have had her as a sunday school teacher several times throughout the years. I'll always miss her.*

Jennifer Draper - March 21, 2020 at 05:12 PM

SL

Val will be so missed. She was such a strong Christian lady who was a big part of our lifegroup. Bill was the love of her life. Love to your whole family.

susan and bunchy leonard - March 25, 2020 at 11:44 AM