



## Shirley Elaine Melvin

July 14, 1948 - September 16, 2025

Shirley Elaine (Zima) Melvin, passed away on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, surrounded by her loving husband and sister, Margaret. Shirley, 77, of Albion, was born on July 14, 1948, in Charlotte, the daughter of Albert and Pauline (Michalski) Zima. Family meant the world to Shirley, and she enjoyed every holiday get-together and family gathering. She was known as the family photographer, and capturing countless family memories that the family will cherish forever. In 1983, Shirley married George Melvin and together have spent the last 42 years creating cherished memories at their residence on Prairie Lake. Shirley proudly worked for Owens Brockway for 42 years before her retirement in 2010. She enjoyed fishing, doing yard work, cleaning, cooking, going to garage sales, and most importantly spoiling her beloved cats. Above all her family brought her the most enjoyment in life.

Shirley is survived by her husband, George; step-children, Travis Melvin and Melissa Bolton; step-grandchildren, Wyatt and Morgan; sisters, Carolyn Zima and Margaret Johnson; brothers-in-law, Guy (Tracey) Melvin, Jeff Flynn, and Scott Melvin; nieces, Stacey (Larry) Lingenfelter, Kelly Flynn, Kayla Flynn, Kristen Cheedie, Brooke Melvin, and Taryn Melvin; nephews, Aaron (Jeoannie) Johnson, William Todd (Buffy) Burford, and Race Melvin; 7 great-nieces; 4 great-nephews; cousins, Jim Michalski, Kathleen Black, Rick (Audrey) Michalski, and Vicki (Randy) Williams; and special friends, Paul and Betty Vroman. She was predeceased by her parents; mother-in-law, Adrienne

Flynn; and father-in-law, George Melvin.

The family would like to thank the Oaklawn Hospice nurses and aids for their exceptional care for Shirley.

Friends are encouraged to support Shirley's family by attending services or sharing memories on her Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com) <<http://www.prayfuneral.com>>. A funeral mass will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. held at St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlotte, with Rev. Fr. Dwight Ezop officiating. Visitation will be held just prior to the mass from 10 - 11:00 a.m. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to St. Mary Catholic Church. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Rest in Peace Shirley.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
807 St. Mary Boulevard  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral Mass

NOV 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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807 St. Mary Boulevard  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Shirley Elaine Melvin*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - October 31, 2025 at 01:16 PM

BM

“ *RIP Shirley. I was unable to attend her memorial. I have such great memories of Shirley. We worked together at Ol and went to Daytona Beach many times on vacation. Enjoyed my time with her and Diane and Julie. Hanging out on weekends at the Green Top in Marshall and going to the Te-Kon for breakfast. I have a ton of pictures of us in Florida. What a great time we all had together. I remember going to her house and her mom following us around with the Lysol spray when she heard us sneeze, she did not want any cold germs in her house. Loved hanging out at her house. RIP Shirley.*

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**Barbara McCoy** - November 07, 2025 at 10:52 AM

RL

“ *Randy & Vicki, Derek & Cj, Todd & Lisa planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Elaine Melvin.*

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**Randy & Vicki, Derek & Cj, Todd & Lisa** - November 01, 2025 at 09:11 AM

RL

“ Randy & Vicki, Derek & Cj, Todd & Lisa purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Shirley Elaine Melvin.



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**Randy & Vicki, Derek & Cj, Todd & Lisa** - November 01, 2025  
at 09:11 AM

LM

“ Love, Melissa, Wyatt & Morgan purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Shirley Elaine Melvin.



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**Love, Melissa, Wyatt & Morgan** - October 25, 2025 at 01:35  
AM

JF

“ Rest in peace Shirley. Even though we live a distance away I feel like you were so close. I heard nothing but wonderful things about you from your sweet sister Margaret and your sweet niece Stacie. They had nothing but good things to say about you. You were for sure deeply loved!,,

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**Jan Fix** - September 19, 2025 at 04:04 PM

DM

“ RIP Shirley... I will always remember you and George were my very 1st Real Estate Sale. You were a special person. Dance with the angels in paradise, while and free again. Hugs & Prayers for the family during this difficult time 💔🙏

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**Dale & Dennis McNabb** - September 19, 2025 at 12:17 PM

DM

*It should read .. Dance with the angels in paradise, whole and free again ❤️*

**Dale & Dennis McNabb** - September 19, 2025 at 12:26 PM

JB

*RIP Shirley We grew up together on Henry street, have many memories. I wish we kept track of each other better. Jerry Briggs*

**Jerry Duane Briggs** - November 25, 2025 at 11:19 AM

RM

“ *Rick and Audrey Michalski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Melvin.*

**Rick and Audrey Michalski** - September 18, 2025 at 01:07 PM

RM

“ *Rick and Audrey Michalski purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Shirley Elaine Melvin.*



**Rick and Audrey Michalski** - September 18, 2025 at 01:07 PM