



## Florence Irene Sharpe

November 14, 1934 - May 17, 2021

Florence Irene Sharpe was born November 14, 1934, in Erie, Pennsylvania, to Stanley Frank and Mary Wanda Baranowski Zylka. She died Monday, May 17, 2021, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the age of 86 years. Florence was reared and educated in Erie, Pennsylvania, and graduated with the McDowell High School Class of 1952. She was married January 1, 1955, in Erie to Daniel F. Sharpe. They moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1964 before making their home in Owasso in 1969. Florence spent most of her working life as a homemaker and caring for her family. She also spent over 20 years as a crossing guard at Mills Elementary in Owasso. She was a longtime faithful member of St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Tulsa where she served on the SPRC Committee and Nominating Committee. Florence enjoyed a variety of pastimes including traveling and spending time cooking. Most important to her was her family, kids, family get-togethers and particularly her role as "Grandma". Those she leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

Three sons; Mike Sharpe and Laurie, of Memphis Tennessee

Matt Sharpe and Connie, of Jenks, Oklahoma

Mark Sharpe, of Owasso, Oklahoma

Grandchildren; Kathryn Purcell and Nick, of Memphis, Tennessee

Elizabeth Young and Ryan, of Denver, Colorado

Zachary Sharpe, of Jenks, Oklahoma

Aaron Sharpe, of Jenks, Oklahoma

Bobby Adams and Tonya, of Owasso, Oklahoma

Daniel Sharpe and Ashley, of Pryor, Oklahoma  
Becca Romere and Kendell, of Tulsa, Oklahoma  
Great grandchildren; Nora and Ruth Purcell  
Ryker Sharpe

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Dan Sharpe, brother, Norbert Zylka, and sister, Delores Jones.

Visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, May 23, 2021, at Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. Funeral will be held 10:00 a.m. Monday, at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Tulsa with Reverend Michelle McCarty and Reverend Steve Holestine officiating. Serving as pallbearers will be Zachary Sharpe, Becca Romere, Aaron Sharpe, Kathryn Sharpe Purcell, Bobby Adams, Daniel Sharpe, and Elizabeth Sharpe Young. Honorary pallbearers will be Mike Sharpe, Nick Purcell, Ryan Young, Matt Sharpe, Mark Sharpe, Ron Folsom and Kendell Romere. Committal service and interment will follow at Graceland Memorial Park Cemetery in Owasso. The family requests memorial contributions be made in memory of Florence Sharpe to St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 10513 East Admiral Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 74116-2531, or the American Therapeutic Riding Center, at [www.atrcok.org](http://www.atrcok.org). Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **23**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service  
9110 N. Garnett Rd.  
Owasso, OK 74055  
(918) 272-6244  
<https://www.moweryfs.com/>

## Service

MAY **24**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Marks United Methodist Church  
10513 East Admiral Place  
Tulsa, OK 74116

## Memorial Fund

MAY **24** (CT)

St. Marks United Methodist Church  
10513 East Admiral Place  
Tulsa, OK 74116

# Tribute Wall

PH

“ As young girls, we giggled picking berries and swinging on grapevines in Erie. We giggled in New Castle while running a mile to get in free, to watch the New Castle-Erie football game. We even giggled while getting ready for your wedding with Dan. As adults, you, I and our spouses, spent many winters together in Florida and yes, we giggled even then. Our time together did not end, as we stopped to visit you and Dan on our yearly trips to and from Albuquerque. We have shared so many good and even sad times, still finding times to giggle. As time marched on and we grew older, our visits became fewer but our love and respect for each other, never waned. Flo, no one spread more love in one lifetime than you. Mike, Matt, Mark and families...May the loving memories of your Mom, bring you peace.

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**Patti Houk** - May 23, 2021 at 02:59 PM

DR

“ Florence was one of the funnest persons we know. Her last text to us was to say that "together we could really stir up trouble. " Our response was " let's go girl!" Will miss her fb comments and texts. She made us smile. Dana n Lindy Reynolds

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**Dana n Lindy Reynolds** - May 23, 2021 at 02:06 PM

TS

“ Ted & Helen Shirai purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.



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**Ted & Helen Shirai** - May 22, 2021 at 07:10 PM

MP

“ *Marci Powell lit a candle in memory of Florence Irene Sharpe*



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**Marci Powell** - May 22, 2021 at 11:24 AM

VM

“ *Valerie MacDonald lit a candle in memory of Florence Irene Sharpe*



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**Valerie MacDonald** - May 21, 2021 at 02:58 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.*



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May 20, 2021 at 10:49 PM

ED

“ *Edward lit a candle in memory of Florence Irene Sharpe*



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**Edward** - May 20, 2021 at 03:52 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.*



May 20, 2021 at 03:00 PM



“ *IKG Sales Department purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.*



**IKG Sales Department** - May 20, 2021 at 08:42 AM



“ *Esther Reynolds and family purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.*



**Esther Reynolds and family** - May 20, 2021 at 08:04 AM



“ *Sharon Whipple lit a candle in memory of Florence Irene Sharpe*



**Sharon Whipple** - May 19, 2021 at 01:07 PM

JS

“ *Jim and Genie Scholes purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.*



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**Jim and Genie Scholes** - May 19, 2021 at 08:45 AM

TF

“ *The Downey Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.*



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**The Downey Family** - May 19, 2021 at 06:46 AM

DB

“ *David, Paul and Sheri Bates purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.*



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**David, Paul and Sheri Bates** - May 18, 2021 at 11:25 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Florence Irene Sharpe.*



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May 18, 2021 at 04:48 PM

SI

“ Florence Zylka Sharpe was a beautiful woman inside and out. Strong, courageous, loving and giving. Never an unkind word spoken about anyone. A true Christian woman. I knew her as Aunt Flo. We were only 10 years apart and she would babysit my sister and I up until she married Dan Sharpe and moved away from Erie. My family moved away as well, so I didn't see her as much after that. But, we kept in touch by phone, cards and finally, Facebook. I will miss you Aunt Flo, as all who knew you will.

Love,

Sherry Zylka Ivers

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Sherry Ivers - May 18, 2021 at 04:39 PM