



Sheryl Bedette Caldwell

May 30, 1934 - February 21, 2023

Sheryl Bedette Caldwell, 88, of Powell Ohio, died peacefully at Kobacker House on February 21, 2023.

She was born at home, on May 30, 1934 to the late Edith Smelser and Clifton Ransier. Clifton died when she was an infant. Her mother remarried William Rashleigh who eventually legally adopted Sheryl. They moved many times before eventually settling in Illinois.

She graduated Hinsdale High School in 1952 and briefly attended MacMurray College for Women and the Freeman Business School, where she gained administrative assistant skills. She married Donald Caldwell on June 10th, 1955 and worked various jobs while he finished his PhD. She took pride in being secretary to the Vice Chancellor at Vanderbilt before she settled as a homemaker raising her three children. She was quite involved in the classroom; scouting activities; and enjoyed sewing clothes and Halloween costumes.

After the divorce in 1978, she returned to the work force until she retired in 2001. She relocated to Pinellas Park Florida and enjoyed 16 years of swimming daily, playing bridge, and volunteering for Meals on Wheels. She moved to Powell, Ohio in 2017 to be near her youngest daughter, Kris and son-in-law Joe, who cared for her in her final years.

Her hobbies and interests were vast. She had a creative flare and was skilled at candle-making, pottery, knitting, and sewing. She loved tennis (playing and watching), fishing, camping, karaoke, sing-a-longs, theatre, participating in skits, and cards. She was a competitive bridge/euchre/poker player and enjoyed Rummikube up until her final days. She also was an American League baseball fan (like her mother) and loved the MSU Spartans. She was eager to be social chair where she lived and volunteered to get card groups/luncheons started – a real social butterfly who loved people. She also loved animals, including her cats, Beebee and Scooter, and grand-dog Kasey.

Her favorite memories include camping at The Pinery in Canada, fishing with her brother in Cabo San Lucas, The Theatre in Stratford, Canada, casino trips with her grandson Scott in Lake Tahoe, watching her grandson Justin skateboard in Traverse City, her Christmas trip to California 2021 to be with her grand/great-grandchildren and hanging out for holidays/dinners at her daughter Kris' place in Powell.

Sheryl is survived by three children, Brett (Lori) Caldwell – Folsom CA, Robin Caldwell – Berkley MI, and Kristen (Joseph) Torres – Powell OH; siblings, Kathryn Haldeman – York PA, and John Rashleigh – Mt. Lake Terrace WA; grandchildren, Scott (Anna) Caldwell, Justin Aqwa, Meghan Demuri (David), Mariah Torres, and Baily Torres; great-grandchildren, Lilly, Caleb, Rocky, Makenzie, Mason, Taylor; and her beloved cat, Scooter.

A Private Family service will take place at a future date in Midland, Michigan. Memorial contributions can be made in Sheryl's honor to: The Delaware County Humane Society, and Cozy Cat Cottage in Powell.

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A special thank you to Ohio Health Hospice and Kobacker House for their loving, compassionate care.

Tribute Wall



“ *Sheryl was such a lovely and kind lady and good friend. She started our Euchre group at Powell Grand and we enjoyed her so much. She was always a lot of fun. She will be sadly missed. With deepest sympathy for her family. Shirley Mullen*

shirkey mullen - March 01, 2023 at 08:10 PM



The Euchre group was definitely a great time for her... she looked forward every week and was so sad when she could no longer play...

Kris Torres - March 04, 2023 at 11:32 AM



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Kris Torres - February 24, 2023 at 11:07 AM



“ *My dear sister, may she rest in peace. I took her to Cabo after we were at my Dad's passing. She hooked a Sailfish but could only reel for a short time. We spent other days fishing. R.I.P*

John Rashleigh - February 23, 2023 at 04:04 PM



The fishing trip was one of her favorite times with you... she spoke about it often....

Kris Torres - March 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM

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Kris Torres - February 23, 2023 at 02:10 PM

DC

“ *She was my very great friend when we lived in Huntington woods we played tennis together racketball and had many laughs and our families were together alot. Lost track of each other when we both moved but the beautiful memories will always linger.*

Deanna Crenshaw - February 22, 2023 at 06:53 PM



A lot of good memories for sure! Even the trip to Maryland...

Kris Torres - March 04, 2023 at 11:38 AM



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Kris Torres - February 22, 2023 at 06:02 PM

LC

“ *Kris and family.*

My prayers are with all of you as you mourn the loss of your mom Sheryl. While I never had the pleasure of meeting her I felt I knew her from reading the beautiful obituary. Prayers always for all of you.

Luann Cooperrider - February 22, 2023 at 12:13 PM

SK

*Dear Kris,
I am sending my sincere condolences. While sharing bicycle trips with you, I could see what a very special lady you had for your mother. I, also, saw your devotion to her in her later years. May those precious memories warm your heart during this time.
Susan*

Susan Kahrl - February 22, 2023 at 02:46 PM



Thank you ❤️

Kris Torres - March 04, 2023 at 11:35 AM



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Kris Torres - February 22, 2023 at 10:27 AM