



## Ardena Shipp

July 2, 1938 - February 12, 2022

Ardena Shipp, 83, of Kalkaska, formerly of New Richmond, Ohio passed away February 12, 2022. She was born in Carlisle, Kentucky on July 2, 1938 to the late James and Byra (Baker) Ritchie. Ardena was married to the late Harry Shipp Sr. Ardena retired from the Zimmer Power Station in Moscow, Ohio. She volunteered for years as the mascot of the WLW/WUBE Charity Softball Team that raised money for the Ruth Lyons Children's Fund in the Greater Cincinnati area. Ardena "never met a stranger", loved to share her pictures of pets and family and was quick to tell a joke (usually R-rated). Ardena is survived by her two sons: Jimmy (Georgina) Shipp and Harry (Cindy) Shipp; six grandchildren: Amanda, Jamie, Joe, Ryan, Erin and Sara; seven great-grandchildren: Connor, Chloe, Blaine, Theo, Tanner, Iris and Hanna. She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; daughter Barbara Ramey; sister Freida Hughes; brothers James Ritchie and Robert Ritchie. The funeral service will take place Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 12:00 PM at Kalkaska Funeral Home. The family will receive friends beginning at 11:00 AM until the time of service. The graveside service will be held on Saturday, February 19, 2022 at 12:00 PM at Watkins Hill Cemetery in New Richmond, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, the family would like you to consider a donation to Ruth Lyons Children's Fund, PO Box 59, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Cemetery Details

**Watkins Hill Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

FEB 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home  
152 S. Cedar  
Kalkaska, MI 49646  
(231) 258-3346

### Funeral

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# Tribute Wall

NW

“ Ardena was such a fun loving person and always so pleasant to be around. I will miss her. Prayers to her family.

Nikki L Wilke - February 22, 2022 at 06:00 PM

RO

“ Harry, Cindy, and all of your family, sincere sympathy to you all in the loss of your mom. Enjoy all your beautiful memories and cherish all the good times & she will always be with you.

Patty Rodgers

Rodgers - February 20, 2022 at 10:12 AM

DS

“ Absolutely loved Ardena and always looked forward to her jokes! Condolences and prayers for peace and comfort.

Debbie Snyder - February 17, 2022 at 06:06 PM

RK

“ Ardena was the neighborhood mother for alot of us. She kept us all in line and always had a new joke to tell.

Rick Kleinwachter - February 16, 2022 at 07:58 PM

SW

“ Arden's was a very special person, always had a hug and a kiss to go along with those R rated jokes. Condolences to the family. ❤️

Susan Withey - February 16, 2022 at 02:47 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Ardena Shipp.



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February 15, 2022 at 07:45 PM



“ I loved seeing her come in FamilyFare! She would ride the bus, come in and give me her list. I would run around getting her groceries for her....and always cookies for the bus driver! Then, while waiting for the bus, she would have us in stitches with her jokes! Definitely R rated but always funny! I miss those jokes and of course, the fudge she would bring! Such a special lady!

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**Sherry Winnie** - February 15, 2022 at 05:12 PM



“ Loved this woman. Condolences to her family!

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**Cindy Ingalls** - February 14, 2022 at 02:46 PM