



Shirley Longo Schmidt

July 2, 1935 - October 14, 2025

Shirley Longo Schmidt, 90, of Mentor, passed away Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at Governor's Pointe, Mentor, OH. She was born July 2, 1935, in Ringgold, GA.

Mrs. Schmidt was a homemaker and lived a life of devotion to her friends and family. Kind and soft spoken, Shirley was also witty with a wonderful sense of humor.

She had a lifelong love of playing bingo with family and friends and also enjoyed trips to the casino to play the slot machines where she always seemed to have a lucky streak. Shirley was an avid Cleveland sports fan and loved watching the Guardians, Browns and Ohio State games. She also enjoyed cooking for family gatherings over the years and many of her recipes are treasured family favorites, including her legendary meatball recipe. In recent years, Shirley made new friends at Governor's Pointe where she enjoyed participating in the arts and crafts sessions and where she was named friendliest resident by staff.

Survivors include her daughters: Debra Trandel, Linda (Charles) Croaker, Cheryl Nolin and Patty Dempsey; stepsons, Kirk (Debbie) Schmidt and Kent (Eileen) Schmidt; grandchildren: Alicia Ramirez, Lesley (John) Palenske, Anthony (Jillian) Croaker, Christopher (Melissa) Croaker, Steven Patrick

(Jewel) Ross, Jessica Lynn Ross, Shannon Lynn Dempsey, Maren Lynn Dempsey, Shawn Schmidt, Amie (Joe) Melendez and Megan (Steve) Hocevar; great-grandchildren: Nigea, Kierra, Aaron, Paige, Bowen, Delaney, Kane, Cooper, Christian, Anthony, Dominic, Layla, Corbin, Nathan, Janaya, Kayla, Mia, Jessica and Carter James; great-great-grandchildren: Natalya, Ja-Khari and Ky-iere.

Preceding Shirley in death are her husbands: Patrick Longo and Frank Schmidt; parents: John and Gertrude Black, son in law: Jerry D. Nolin and siblings: Betty Roose, Donald (Margaret) Black, Melvin (Philomena) Black and Dean (Carol) Black.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 18, 2025, at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

A private family inurnment will be held at Western Reserve Memorial Gardens, Chesterland.

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com

Cemetery Details

Western Reserve Memorial Gardens

11521 Chillicothe Rd.
Chesterland, OH 44026
(440) 729-9465

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **18**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JB

“ Joanne B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Longo Schmidt.

Joanne B. - October 18, 2025 at 11:46 AM

LB

“ Love, Allen, Terri & Cindy Black purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Shirley Longo Schmidt.



Love, Allen, Terri & Cindy Black - October 17, 2025 at 12:59 PM

DB

“ Diane and Ron Mattox and Denise Boley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Longo Schmidt.

Diane and Ron Mattox and Denise Boley - October 16, 2025 at 07:58 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Shirley Longo Schmidt.



October 16, 2025 at 07:58 PM

SR

“ Grandma Shirley was one of the kindest people I know and I have nothing but loving memories with her. Her and Grandpa Frank were always so loving and welcoming to my sister Jessica and I and I will forever cherish those memories. I have lived in Florida for quite a long time now and just recently made a trip back home to Ohio and am so glad I got to see her. She was just as happy to see me as I was to see her, and to just talk about the family I have made here in Florida. I have no doubt that all of our loss is heavens gain. Love you very much Grandma!



Steve Ross - October 16, 2025 at 09:42 AM

SF

“ Steve Ross and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Shirley Longo Schmidt.



Steve Ross and family - October 16, 2025 at 09:21 AM

CH

“ Shirley was the friendliest person at governors point. She gave my mom a warm welcome when mom moved in. They shared a table at meals. She always was smiling. I know she will be missed. Condolences to the family on the loss of such a beautiful person.

Cathy Holder - October 16, 2025 at 06:41 AM

LF

“ Where to start I love our talks and love taking care if her at Govenors Pointe she always said good morning Lisa to me every day she saw me! She was an amazing lady! Gonna miss her tremendously! She had so many friends at GP that miss her so much! To her family I’m so sorry for your loss! Your mom was an amazing person loved her very much GP not the same without her 🥀😭

lisa ferrell - October 15, 2025 at 06:20 PM

PD

Lisa, thank you for sharing! We can't express how grateful we are to the staff at governors for the love you showed Mom during her time there. She made some wonderful friends there. Thank you so much!

Patty Dempsey - October 15, 2025 at 06:48 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Shirley Longo Schmidt.



October 15, 2025 at 05:37 PM

KS

“ Kirk & Debbie Schmidt purchased the Fall Fantasia for the family of Shirley Longo Schmidt.



Kirk & Debbie Schmidt - October 15, 2025 at 03:38 PM