



Shirley W. Merrill

February 3, 1938 - July 20, 2025

Seabrook – Shirley W. Merrill, 87, of Seabrook, passed away peacefully at her home on Sunday, July 20, 2025.

She was born in Newburyport, MA on February 3, 1938 a daughter of the late Ralph and Abbie (Blaisdell) Furbush. Raised in Salisbury, she made Seabrook her home after marrying her future husband of 33 years the late Clifton Merrill Jr. who predeceased her in 1999.

She worked her entire career for Owens-Illinois which spanned over 38 years before retiring as a color tech.

Shirley loved to knit, specifically afghans which she made for all of her family. She also enjoyed the beach and watching the boats come and go, cooking, her camp in Parsonsfield, ME and most of all spending time with family, especially her grand and great grandchildren.

Surviving family members include her sons, David Dow of Seabrook, Alan Merrill and his wife Theresa of Northwood and James Merrill and his wife Audra of Fremont and many grand and great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was predeceased by her sons,

Ralph Dow and Richard Merrill and siblings, Ralph, Melvin, Donald and Jackie Furbush, Carol Stanley, Donna Bishop and Marilyn Bishop.

Services will be held at 11 am on Monday, July 28, 2025 at the Rand Memorial Congregational Church, 134 South Main Street, Seabrook, NH. Burial will follow in the Wildwood Cemetery, Seabrook.

Cemetery Details

Wildwood Cemetery

134 South Main Street
Seabrook, NH 03874

Previous Events

Service

JUL 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

Rand Memorial Congregational Church
134 South Main St
Seabrook, NH 03874-4655
(603) 474-2703

Tribute Wall

EM

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Shirley's family. She was a sweet lady that came from a very large family, and she was the last of the siblings to pass. You will be missed Darlin, I never saw you in Shaw's without a smile on your face, now you can rest in peace with all your loved ones.



Elizabeth A Marquis - July 24, 2025 at 04:16 AM



“ Debbie Rhoades lit a candle in memory of Shirley W. Merrill



Debbie Rhoades - July 23, 2025 at 05:44 PM

SW

“ Shelley Wilson lit a candle in memory of Shirley W. Merrill



Shelley Wilson - July 23, 2025 at 01:11 PM

GR

“ George Ross lit a candle in memory of Shirley W. Merrill



George Ross - July 22, 2025 at 09:23 PM

MR

“ Maureen Randall Royal lit a candle in memory of Shirley W. Merrill



Maureen Randall Royal - July 22, 2025 at 08:35 PM

GE

“ Gail Eaton lit a candle in memory of Shirley W. Merrill



gail eaton - July 22, 2025 at 07:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Shirley W. Merrill.

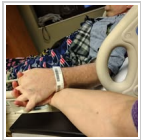
July 22, 2025 at 04:04 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Shirley W. Merrill.*



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“ *Vera Ross lit a candle in memory of Shirley W. Merrill*



Vera Ross - July 22, 2025 at 03:09 PM



“ *Julie Ellis lit a candle in memory of Shirley W. Merrill*



Julie Ellis - July 22, 2025 at 02:49 PM