



## Shirley McQuade Gecewicz

July 12, 1929 - October 18, 2023

Glenville, NY-Shirley McQuade Gecewicz, 94, entered Eternal Life Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at Ellis Hospital after a short illness. Born in Albany on July 12, 1929, she was the daughter of the late Kenneth and Helen Kucinski Wagoner.

Shirley attended Albany High School and then worked for New York Telephone Company for 30 years until her retirement. She also worked part time for several years at CAPCOM. Shirley was a former member of the Polish American Citizens Club in Albany. She enjoyed bingo, traveling to Foxwoods in Connecticut, and Saratoga Racino. Shirley especially enjoyed doing puzzles with friends at Judson Meadows Assisted Living Facility.

She was the wife of the late Thomas McQuade who died in 1971, and the late Martin Gecewicz who died in 2002. Shirley is survived by her daughter Mary Forkel, son-in-law Raymond Forkel, and grandson Scott Forkel.

Services will be held privately. Those wishing to remember Shirley in a special way may send a contribution to the Arthritis Foundation, 1355 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30309 or Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Haylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306.

To leave a message for the family please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.co](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.co)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Mary & family,  
Sincere condolences on Shirley 's passing. We always had such nice conversations. She did love doing puzzles. When we at Judson Meadows heard that she had passed, the hectic work day became very quiet and somber. Shirley touched us all with her upbeat ways. We all miss her.  
Sincere sympathy,  
Nancy - transportation department  
Judson Meadows

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**Nancy DiStasio** - October 22, 2023 at 02:09 PM

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Dear  
Mary & Ray. Prayers for you and your Family at this sad time. Nena & Matthew.

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**Nena & Matthew** - October 22, 2023 at 03:25 PM

JM

“ Mary, sorry to hear about your mother.  
John McNulty  
jmcnulty2453@gmail.com

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**John McNulty** - October 21, 2023 at 05:20 AM

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“ Shirley was a very much loved part of the Gecewicz family. She always had a smile on her face and you could feel the warmth in her heart. RIP Shirley J. I'm sure you and Uncle Marty are already playing poket

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**Kathy (Gecewicz) Leisenfelder** - October 20, 2023 at 02:02 PM

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“ Shirley was a kind and loving soul who brought joy and happiness to my Uncle Marty. They both were the life of a party. I can see her at the table with the guys right now playing poker!!!!

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**steve gecewicz** - October 20, 2023 at 11:42 AM

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“ Our condolences to the Forkel family. Shirley was always a delight when we saw her at various family functions. We have many fond memories of her and are sad to hear of her passing. Nancy and Paul Gecewicz

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**Paul Gecewicz** - October 20, 2023 at 10:45 AM