



## Sherry Kay Bagby

December 19, 1952 - July 21, 2018

Sherry Kay Bagby, age 65 years, a resident of Vienna and a former resident of Cypress, passed away Saturday morning, July 21, 2018, at 7:10 AM at Century Assisted Living in Carbondale, Illinois.

Sherry was born December 19, 1952 in Anna, Illinois. She was the second of nine children born to Robert and Ruby (Earnhart) Williams.

Sherry is survived by: her children – Toma Kaye (John) Branche of Cypress and John (Sonny) Bagby of Vienna; 7 grandchildren – Brett & Chase Osman and Daisy, Cole, John, Clayton and Sandra Kay Bagby; her loving companion for the past 10 years – Ed Guernsey of Vienna; her siblings – Jerry (Glenda) Williams of Carterville, Gary (Ellen) Williams of Vienna, Donna Willeford of Vienna, Debra Kohlbacher of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, David (Christine) Williams of San Antonio, Texas, Kevin (Glenda) Williams of Calvert City, Kentucky, Keith Williams of Stonefort, and Karen (Tony) Elder of Mounds; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends.

Sherry was preceded in death by her parents.

Sherry was a 1971 graduate of Vienna High School. She also attended Shawnee Community College at Ullin. Sherry had worked at the former Throgmorton Drug Store in Vienna as well as Green Implement Company in

Cypress. She was also a car-hop at Hoot's Drive-In. Sherry then worked for 33 years prior to her retirement for the United States Postal Service. During her working career, Sherry worked at a number of area post offices, including: Metropolis, Makanda, Cypress, Carbondale, and Cape Girardeau, Missouri. She had served as the Post Master at Villa Ridge, Simpson, Mound City, Cairo, Anna and Vienna Post Offices. Sherry had served as a lobbyist as well as the State President for the Illinois Division of N.A.P.U.S. (now United Post Masters and Managers of America). She was a member of the Cairo Chamber of Commerce. Sherry had been very involved in the P.T.O. and was formerly a very active 4-H volunteer leader. Sherry was a member of the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels. She was of the Baptist faith.

In her spare time, Sherry enjoyed traveling, holiday home decorating, spending time visiting with and "pranking" family and friends. Sherry and Ed enjoyed motorcycling.

A service honoring the life of Sherry Bagby will be held Thursday morning, July 26, 2018, at 11 AM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. A time of sharing of stories and memories of Sherry will be given during the service. Relatives and friends are encouraged to share their favorite remembrance of Sherry.

Burial will be in the Cypress Cemetery.

Visitation will be conducted Wednesday evening, July 25, 2018, from 5 PM – 8 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Illinois Chapter, 320 East Walnut Street, Suite A, Carbondale, IL 62901.

# Cemetery Details

## Cypress Cemetery

5847 State Route 37 South  
Cypress, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **25**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com  
<https://baileyfh.com>

## Service

JUL **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sherry Kay Bagby*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *I just found out about Sherry's passing and am shocked because she was so young. We were friends when she lived in Olmsted, I always liked her and thought she was a special lady.*

**Dan Johnsen** - November 02, 2020 at 12:58 PM



“ *Sherryl Case lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



**Sherryl Case** - September 06, 2020 at 05:07 PM



“ *Sending our condolences to Sherry's family! She was a special lady who dearly loved her family. We worked with her for many years in the postal service and there was nothing she wouldn't do to help a fellow colleague! Rest in peace Sherry! May God Bless! Kay and Bob Maurizio*

**Kay Maurizio** - July 27, 2018 at 11:16 AM

WD

“ To Toma Kaye, John and family: Please accept my sympathy at the loss of Sherry. I knew her for many years, and she had so many wonderful qualities, it is hard to name them all. First, she was a wonderful role model for her children. She always put their needs first. Second, she was an extremely goal oriented lady. She always worked so hard to excel in the professional world. i.e. the postal service. Also, to her care giver for the last 10 years, you certainly deserve a special place in Heaven for all the love and care that you gave to her. In summation, the world is a better place because of the life of Sherry Bagby.



Wayne Dunn - July 26, 2018 at 06:00 PM

TB

Thank you

Toma Branche - July 27, 2018 at 10:06 AM

LS

“ Linda Simmons lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



Linda Simmons - July 26, 2018 at 11:17 AM

AO

“ Sorry for your loss. Thoughts go out to you and your families.

Jim Overstreet and family

Andrew overstreet - July 25, 2018 at 06:36 PM

RW

“ So sorry to hear of Sherry's passing. She always had a bright smile and a laugh to share every time we saw her. She was a wonderful babysitter to my girls when she was just a kid herself. I know she will be greatly missed and prayers go out to her loved ones during this difficult time.  
Peace be with you.

*Rosanna Whitnel and girls Bobbi and Billi*

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**Rosanna Whitnel** - July 25, 2018 at 12:17 PM

TB

*Thank you.*

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**Toma Branche** - July 27, 2018 at 10:07 AM

VB

“ *Vonda Burnam sent a virtual gift in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



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**Vonda Burnam** - July 25, 2018 at 11:53 AM

DH

“ *Dennis And Pat Harner lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



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**Dennis and Pat Harner** - July 24, 2018 at 06:56 PM

TS

“ Blue Knights L.E.M.C. IL. XIII St. Louis Metro-East would like to send our condolences to both Sherry's and Ed's families. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May God Bless everyone

*Tim Sampson,  
Vice President  
Blue Knights IL. XIII*

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**Tim Sampson** - July 23, 2018 at 10:32 PM

LC

“ Sherry was a delightful person. Always friendly and ready to assist in whatever capacity she was involved with. She will be missed. May God bless her family during this sad time.

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**Larry Choate** - July 23, 2018 at 09:52 PM

TB

*Thank you*

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**Toma Branche** - July 27, 2018 at 10:07 AM

GR

“ Served on many assignments at many offices with Sherry. She always had a great sense of humor, and made everyone enjoy being around her. I have several great memories of her, but one special memory occurred at a Chicago training conference in the late eighties. As a group of us postal employees traveled to conference, we decided to enter the Talent Contest during the conference. The song we chose was "Leader of the Pack". Another group in the contest also chose this song, along with a real motorcycle. The crowd cheered with great enthusiasm. And as we began the song right after, there were some groans from the crowd, until I road out on a tricycle, holding a lollipop. Sherry chased me around the stage, caught my trike, took my lollipop, then began to push me around the stage while the song played and the crowd cheered loudly. Her pushing eventually lead to "the wreck" . There were 16 acts, and we were pleased with second place, gracefully losing out to a bunch of dancing grapes, dancing to "I heard it thru the Grapevine" All 6 of our group played a part in the skit, and slept the night before on a trampoline as we spent hours planning the skit. This is just one of the many, many great memories I, as well as many other postal employees will hold deep in their hearts. Doesnt matter what she was involved in, it was very apparent how much her family meant to her. Her smile, charismatic personality will be missed. It was a real joy to know her. God bless! Greg Rednour

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**Greg Rednour** - July 23, 2018 at 09:43 PM

TB

*Thank you*

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**Toma Branche** - July 27, 2018 at 10:08 AM

EH

“ Ernie Henshaw lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



Ernie Henshaw - July 23, 2018 at 09:15 PM

DM

“ Dayle & Patty Morse lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



Dayle & Patty Morse - July 23, 2018 at 05:18 PM



“ Valerie Lynne lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



Valerie Lynne - July 23, 2018 at 03:16 PM

CE

“ Connie East lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



Connie East - July 23, 2018 at 12:45 PM

KC

“ *Kathy Goins Carlton lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



Kathy Goins Carlton - July 23, 2018 at 05:16 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sherry Kay Bagby.*



July 22, 2018 at 11:18 PM

JM

“ *JD & Tammy Mathis sent a virtual gift in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



JD & Tammy Mathis - July 22, 2018 at 10:38 PM

RJ

“ *"Sherry was a good friend, co-worker, Postmaster and boss. I worked with her and for her at several Post Offices thru the years....Villa Ridge, Mound City and Cairo. I know she loved her family! She will be missed. My thoughts and prayers to all her family".*

*Ricky Jones - Pulaski, IL*

Ricky Jones - July 22, 2018 at 10:04 PM

TB

*Thank you*

**Toma Branche** - July 27, 2018 at 10:09 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sherry Kay Bagby.*



July 22, 2018 at 08:38 PM

CM

“ *Charlotte Muniz lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



**Charlotte Muniz** - July 22, 2018 at 08:07 PM

DE

“ *Sherry was always fun to be around. I would go to her post office in Cypress for postmaster training after I was chosen as postmaster for Royalton IL in 1997. That was back when we received training!!!*

**Dan Edwards** - July 22, 2018 at 08:06 PM

SH

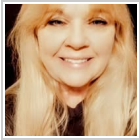
“ Sherry worked at the post office in Mound City where I worked across the street at Empire Gas. Sherry and I had many talks and lunch together with the other postal workers. I was saddened to learn of her illness from James Little before he passed away. She loved her kids with all her heart. Prayers to the family. Sally Hodges Sikeston MO

Sally Hodges - July 22, 2018 at 07:46 PM

TB

Thank you

Toma Branche - July 27, 2018 at 10:10 AM



“ I will remember many times riding bikes, and having dinners with Sherry. I am sorry to hear about her passing. My prayers are with her family.

Teresa Anderson - July 22, 2018 at 06:23 PM

MH

“ Lots of fond Postal memories of Sherry! Great memories from Springfield and Chicago. Rest In Peace, Sherry. God's comfort for her family. Rich and Marilyn Hertz



Marilynn (Ross) Hertz - July 22, 2018 at 04:37 PM

AR

“ Alan And Carol Racey lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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Alan and Carol Racey - July 22, 2018 at 04:32 PM

EK

“ Elizabeth Kerley lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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Elizabeth Kerley - July 22, 2018 at 03:14 PM

CT

“ I am sorry to here of Sherry's passing. I worked for her at the Anna Post office. We were close to the same age, so this really surprised me. She was always so full of life and loved her family very much, as she talked of you often. I will keep you in my prayers!

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Carla Tally - July 22, 2018 at 02:30 PM

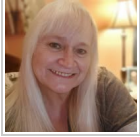
SR

“ longtime friend of the Moak & Richardson families. we shared many good memories for the ones left behind so sorry for your loss.



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sandy richardson - July 22, 2018 at 01:48 PM



“ *Marlene Chapman lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



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**Marlene Chapman** - July 22, 2018 at 11:32 AM



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**Marlene Chapman** - July 22, 2018 at 11:32 AM

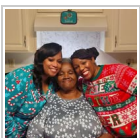


“ *June Hartline lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



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**June Hartline** - July 22, 2018 at 11:01 AM



“ *Peggy Baquet lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



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**Peggy Baquet** - July 22, 2018 at 10:00 AM

CR

“ Lived across the street from Sherry for many years and watched her care for her brother and sister, then Toma and John. She loved each of you so much. Sherry was a hard worker and always greeted everyone with a smile. She will be missed.

Carol Racey - July 22, 2018 at 09:57 AM

CR

“ Carol Racey lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



Carol Racey - July 22, 2018 at 09:51 AM

NW

“ Your kind and generous spirit will always be remembered. Beautiful lady inside and out

nancee williams - July 22, 2018 at 09:41 AM



“ Ashley Henderson lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



Ashley Henderson - July 22, 2018 at 09:28 AM

TA

“ *Tasha lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



Tasha - July 22, 2018 at 09:27 AM



Theresa McKenzie

“ *So Sorry for your loss, Sending Prayers*



Theresa McKenzie - July 22, 2018 at 09:27 AM

VB

“ *Vonda Burnam lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



Vonda Burnam - July 22, 2018 at 09:00 AM

LM

“ *Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



Larry and Carolyn McGill - July 22, 2018 at 08:45 AM

KH

“ Kenneth And Rosie Hartline lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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**Kenneth and Rosie Hartline** - July 22, 2018 at 08:36 AM

JH

“ Justin & Tricia Hartline lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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**Justin & Tricia Hartline** - July 22, 2018 at 08:31 AM

JB

“ Thank you. Please everyone share your memories of her. That what we want as a family. To hear and share all the good times.

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**John /Sonny Bagby** - July 22, 2018 at 08:25 AM

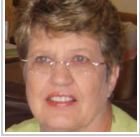
MR

“ Mike And Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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**Mike and Teresa Richerson** - July 22, 2018 at 07:30 AM



“ Elaine Rotan lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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**Elaine Rotan** - July 22, 2018 at 07:17 AM

JA

*Sherry is a beautiful lady inside outside and with good heart and lover heart just good looking lady*

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**jamescast** - July 22, 2018 at 08:54 PM



“ Teresa Ray Pearl lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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**Teresa Ray Pearl** - July 22, 2018 at 07:08 AM

WB

“ Wm&Nancy Belford lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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**Wm&Nancy Belford** - July 22, 2018 at 06:35 AM

MP

“ *Michael Phillips lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



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**Michael Phillips** - July 21, 2018 at 11:41 PM



“ *Kathy Lay lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



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**Kathy Lay** - July 21, 2018 at 11:32 PM

JS

“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



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**John Slack** - July 21, 2018 at 11:07 PM

DW

“ *I will always remember her singing in the car, (teen angel was my favorite) all while she bounced. She was one of the strongest women I've ever known. She will be missed. I love you aunt Sherry*

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**Dawn Williams** - July 21, 2018 at 11:02 PM

JB

*Thank you Dawn. Please everyone share your memories of her. That what we want as a family. To hear and share all the good times.*

**John /Sonny Bagby** - July 22, 2018 at 08:23 AM

DW

“ *David And Rhonda Webb lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



**David and Rhonda Webb** - July 21, 2018 at 10:34 PM

BW

“ *Bill And Barb Warmack lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby*



**Bill and Barb Warmack** - July 21, 2018 at 10:14 PM



“ *Prayers Toma and John. I can remember so much but anyway . My mind goes to when my mom and Sherry would be together. She was awesome. God bless and we'll one day at a time. All I can really say it hurts!! Love you both.*

**Christine Gibson** - July 21, 2018 at 10:02 PM

MG

“ *Toma and John, thinking of you both and your families.* ”



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**Melissa and Jamie Graves** - July 21, 2018 at 09:35 PM

GW

“ *I remember when she was driving she would bounce back & forth and I swear the car would go back every time she would bounce but the kids would love it* ”

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**Glenda Kay Williams** - July 21, 2018 at 09:33 PM

JB

“ *Ted and Joy Beggs* ”



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**Joy Beggs** - July 21, 2018 at 09:00 PM

MH

“ *Mary Lou Hynes lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby* ”



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**Mary Lou Hynes** - July 21, 2018 at 08:46 PM

DM

“ Deon & Arlene Miles lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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**Deon & Arlene Miles** - July 21, 2018 at 08:36 PM

DM

*Toma are prayers are with you and your family*

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**Deon and Arlene Miles** - July 21, 2018 at 08:38 PM

SM

“ Sherry was a very good friend of mine. She will be missed dearly. My prayers go out to the family!



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**sherry moore** - July 21, 2018 at 08:33 PM

AS

“ Angie Street lit a candle in memory of Sherry Kay Bagby



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**Angie Street** - July 21, 2018 at 08:26 PM