



Shirley Faye Pals

November 26, 1937 - August 14, 2019

Shirley Faye Pals, 81, died Wednesday, August 14, 2019 at the Lake Mills Care Center in Lake Mills, IA.

Memorial service will be 1:30 PM, Saturday, August 24, 2019, at Salem Lutheran Church, 401 S Lake Street, Lake Mills, IA 50450, with Pastor Melinda McCluskey officiating.

A memorial visitation will take place 5-7 PM, Friday evening, August 23, 2019 at Mittelstadt Funeral Home, 902 East Main Street, Lake Mills, IA 50450.

Shirley's family would like to suggest that memorials be made to Salem Lutheran Church-Furnace Fund.

Shirley Faye (Soma) Pals was born to Norris and Eveline (Johnson) Soma on November 26th, 1937, in Belmond, Iowa. Shirley was one of 8 children and the youngest girl of 6. She was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church, attended school and graduated from Belmond Community School in 1956.

Shirley was united in marriage to Arlen Pals on June 8th 1957 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Belmond, IA. Shirley and Arlen have three children, Ryan (Kim) Pals, Randy Pals and Roxanne (Brad Dondlinger) Pals, seven grandchildren, Tony (Bethany Sand) Gulick, Jamie (Brian) Appenzeller, Miranda (Anthony) Nelson, Rebecca (Alex) Wolfe, Andrew (Chelsea Haines) Pals, Brennan Dondlinger and Parker Dondlinger. Shirley was the proud great-grandmother of Sophia Nelson, Kale Appenzeller, Dylan Gulick, Connor Gulick, Camdon Nelson, Calvin Nelson, Elise Gulick and Evelene Wolfe.

She is also survived by siblings Muriel Durant, Gilman (Sandra) Soma, Betty (Donnie) Dorenkamp, Lois Beisner, and Charles (Phoebe) Soma; as well as many nieces, nephews and other loved ones.

Shirley is preceded in death by her husband Arlen, parents, and sisters Dorothy Barkema and Eleanor Pals.

Shirley and Arlen owned and operated P&G Market Lake Mills from 1968-1981 where she managed the operations of the business.

She adored her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, loved her friends, and being a member of Salem Lutheran Church in Lake Mills. She enjoyed many family gatherings with her siblings and their families where there was much love and laughter shared. She was known as the "favorite" aunt of many of her nieces and nephews. Shirley was passionate about doing crossword and jig saw puzzles and playing games with her family including Yahtzee and the card game 13 where she was often caught cheating! She enjoyed "Friday morning coffee" for many years with her

dear friends Phyllis Moen, Diane Gardner and Helen Rice and participating in water aerobics at the Lake Mills swimming pool with friends and instructor Ree Pederson.

Shirley devoted her life to her family and leaves a legacy of how to create a strong and lasting bond within her family. She will be remembered as someone who was always available with a listening ear and a loving heart.

Events



MEMORIAL SERVICE

1:30 PM

Salem Lutheran Church
401 South Lake Street
Lake Mills, Iowa 50450,
Lake Mills, IA 50450



VISITATION

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Mittelstadt Funeral
Home 902 East Main
Street, Lake Mills, IA
50450

Tribute Wall
