



Shirley Ann Shumate

June 3, 1932 - December 11, 2020

Shirley Ann Shumate, age 88, of Erie, KS passed away on Friday, December 11, 2020 at the Guess Home Estates of Erie. Shirley was born on June 3, 1932 in Council Grove, KS the daughter of William Raymond and Nellie (Walters) Laramore.

Shirley was a graduate of Emporia High School class of 1950. Shirley worked at the Kansas Gas and Electric Co. for 10 years and then retired as a Post Master for the United States Postal Service. Shirley was a member of the Rosalia Methodist Church and the Erie Church of Christ. Shirley was active with her church throughout her life, she enjoyed sewing, quilting and crafting, and baking for her family and friends.

On July 28, 1963 in Rosalia, KS, Shirley married Paul Bennett Shumate. Shirley and Paul were married for 40 years until his death of November 25, 2003. Shirley always stayed active and was always on the go, as she and Paul also raised five boys.

Shirley is survived by:

Children:

Gerald Shumate (Gayle) of Springtown, TX

Jerald Shumate (Marcia) of Springtown, TX

Jeffrey Shumate (Norma) of St. Charles, MO

Brother in law: Joe Shumate of Baldwin, KS

6 Grandchildren, 10 Great Grandchildren and 1 Great-Great Grandchild

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents, husband Paul, 2 sons: Victor L. Shumate and Jay K. Shumate and 4 grandchildren: Travis, Shawn, Hannah and Jayne Lea Shumate

Cremation has been requested and inurnment will be held at a later date at the Hartford, KS cemetery. Memorials have been suggested to either the First Christian Church of Erie or the Activities program at the Guest Home Estates in Erie and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidefh.com. Services entrusted to: Countryside Funeral Home 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720

Tribute Wall



“ I loved going to visit my grandma as kid. I have many fond memories of her including sleeping her in bed & her saying we were cold-blooded because we got cold so easily. I also remember many times where I'd wake up quite early, still from out, & she'd be up having coffee in the kitchen. I look back on knowing her with much love & nostalgia.

Erin Shumate - December 11, 2022 at 07:17 PM

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“ All I can say is that Shirley was my most favorite, most fun aunt ever!!! I enjoyed talking with her on the phone & she always remembered birthdays & anniversaries with a card. Shirley was ten years younger than her sister, Gladys, (my mother) and it was fun to hear the different stories and viewpoints of how growing up REALLY was in the Laramore family.

I love you dearly, Shirley, and know that you are having a great time smiling & laughing with family & friends in the hereafter. You were/are my favorite aunt and you are missed.

Love you always...Cecilia (Bedigrew) Huddleston

Cecilia Huddleston - October 07, 2021 at 05:00 PM

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“ 5 generations we are. My heart hurts. You were my everything. Grandma, you were the most amazing woman, always putting family first. The dinners, the love, the summers, we also knew you meant business when you did. Lol after raising 5 boys, there was no getting past you. Ha. You taught me so many wonderful things, From sewing, crocheting, crafting and cooking. I'll forget cherish those memories and I only hope and pray I can be half of the grandmother you were to us. Please give grandpa my love... hug Travis tight. Know that one day we will all be together again. I love you so much.



Sonya Shumate - December 20, 2020 at 04:39 AM