



Shirley Ann Barnell

November 20, 1936 - October 16, 2016

Former Sutton, NE resident, Shirley Ann Barnell, 79, of Lincoln, NE passed away Sunday, October 16, 2016, at Eastmont Towers in Lincoln, NE.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, October 21, 2016, at the Federated Church in Sutton, NE with Rev. Mary Scott officiating. Interment will follow at the Sutton Cemetery in Sutton, NE. Visitation will be Thursday, from 1 p.m., until 8 p.m., with the family present from 6 p.m., until 8 p.m., at Sutton Memorial Chapel in Sutton, NE.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the ALS Association Keith Worthington Chapter.

Shirley Ann Barnell was born November 20, 1936, in Geneva, NE to Ralph and Ruby (Ryel) Madison. She received her education in Shickley, NE and graduated from Shickley High School in 1955. On September 9, 1956, she married Merrill Barnell in Sutton, NE. She was employed as a homemaker and various other places in Sutton and Lincoln.

She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary Argonne Unit 61, Fillmore County Extension Club, Mad Hatters and the Women's Fellowship at the Sutton Federated Church.

She is survived by her children, Linda Johnson of Lincoln, NE; Mark Barnell of Sutton, NE; Doug and wife Laurie Barnell of Dallas, TX; Brenda Barnell of Dallas, TX; 4 grandsons; 1 great-grandson; sister, Faye and husband Ken Barnell of Sutton, NE; brother, Bernard and wife Marilyn Madison of Lincoln, NE; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Merrill; her parents and a niece, Dawn Barnell.

Tribute Wall

KG

“ Being out of state, we are sorry to learn just now when asking about sending her a birthday card. Shirley was so extraordinarily kind to my mom, befriending her at dinner when others were not as empathetic and accepting of dementia. They sure enjoyed their ice cream bars together. One sweet memory was when sitting with them, mom blurted "she is my best friend." Shirley was a gracious lady. Bless her.

Kym Hodge daughter of Betty Kleinschmidt Gould - November 20, 2016 at 07:20 AM

JB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family

Julie Brauning - October 20, 2016 at 03:19 PM

JP

“ I am truly sorry for your loss. Shirley gave my dad three years of happiness he wouldn't have had without her. She was an upbeat positive person full of joy & laughter. May your fond memories of your mother carry you forward.

Joyce Pester - October 20, 2016 at 07:44 AM

DB

“ We will miss her smiles and hugs. Our sympathy to all of you at this difficult time.

Don & Linda Bottorf - October 20, 2016 at 07:15 AM

NA

“ Condolences, thoughts and prayers to the Barnell family during this time of loss. May God's hand of love and peace be on you all during this time.

Norm Ackerman - October 19, 2016 at 05:32 PM

MT

“ My sympathy to all of you in the loss of Shirley. Remember her from SHS days.
Seems she was always smiling and laughing.
Mary (Kamler) Tesar

Mary Tesar - October 19, 2016 at 05:10 PM

GG

“ The family is in our thoughts and prayers. Lots of good memories when we were neighbors.

Greg and Darcie Girmus - October 19, 2016 at 03:52 PM

BM

“ Fond memories of Thanksgiving and visits to the farm. Always happy and kind to me and the family.

Bruce Madison - October 19, 2016 at 03:12 PM

CM

“ My deepest sympathy to the family. Shirley was a joy to have at Eastmont. She loved to get outside and soak up the sunshine. I loved her different hats. I will miss seeing her.

Cindy Mefford - October 19, 2016 at 12:35 PM

JB

“ *My deepest sympathy to Shirley's family at this time of sorrow. It has been over a year since I visited with Shirley..we laughed and had so much fun talking about old memories that happened in Shickley. I know all of you will miss her deeply.*

Jenice (Anderson) Bates - October 19, 2016 at 06:34 AM