



Shirley Ann Sorenson

March 11, 1937 - September 28, 2021

Shirley's tribute video can be viewed here: <https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/7C CMLNRJR8G6WR94>

Shirley's funeral service can be viewed here: <https://vimeo.com/622848353>

It happened in 1937, at the end of the Great Depression. The world lost Amelia Earhart that year but, on March 11, gained Shirley Roe. It was a year when new products were being launched, like Kraft Mac & Cheese, Spam, and Kix cereal. Throughout her life, Shirley could tell you where they were all on sale. In recent years, she'd tell you by email, ALL IN CAPS.

Shirley passed peacefully on Tuesday, September 28, 2021. Her family thanks Ethos Home Care & Hospice, who brought her home in comfort and dignity.

Shirley was born to Gilman and Florence Roe, of Hendrum, Minnesota, where she graduated high school in 1955. She was born, raised, and remained, a small town girl; and there's nothing wrong with that. Shirley was a strong Lutheran, who loved worship, and to belt out a good, loud hymn. Jesus was and is her close friend.

A Highway 200 romance led, ultimately, to her marriage to Edwin Sorenson, of Ada. Other than a few years in Colorado, the couple lived life in Fargo, where they raised two children, Paul and Sara.

Shirley was a cheerful worker. For twelve years she managed Moose Brothers Pizza. For another fifteen, she enticed you with yummys as a demo lady at Hornbachers. And, most recently, for fifteen more, she kept your room clean and tidy as a housekeeper for Sanford Health. Along the way, she enjoyed being with you, sharing stories, smiles and, of course, news of sweet prices.

As years unfolded, Shirley took great pride in her seven grandchildren, all good people,

each of whom, at some time, read the Book of Luke, Chapter 2, to her on Christmas Eve. And she loved her two great-grandchildren, Maxwell Sorenson and Amelia Schmoll, both beautiful and full of promise.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents, Florence and Gilman Roe; her husband, Edwin Sorenson, and a grandson, Seth Sorenson. She is survived by her children, Paul (Julie) Sorenson and Sara (Mike) Gjesdahl; her grandchildren, Eric (Hillary) Sorenson, Ethan (Sandra) Sorenson, Haley (Brady) Schmoll, Emma (Mitchell) Gullickson, Noah Gjesdahl, Kelsey (fiancé Brandon Riddle) Sorenson and Sophie Gjesdahl; her two great-grandchildren, Maxwell Sorenson and Amelia Schmoll, and her brother, Thomas (Marilyn) Roe.

Memorials to Roger Maris Cancer Center are preferred.

Cemetery

Riverside Cemetery - Fargo
2102 5th St. S.
Fargo, ND, 58103

Events

OCT 4 **Visitation** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

First Lutheran Church - Fargo
619 Broadway N., Fargo, ND, US, 58102

OCT 4 **Funeral Service** 02:00PM

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Comments



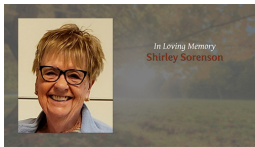
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Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home - October 05, 2021 at 09:00 AM



“ An external video has been added.



Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home - October 04, 2021 at 10:17 AM



“ When I worked in Security at the South University Hospital I always enjoyed talking with Shirley and her smile and cheerfulness, she made the day brighter and our load lighter.

Gregory Schwartzwalter - October 10, 2021 at 12:26 AM



“ Sympathy to Shirley's family. Will the phone calls & "remember when's. Shared birthday's with uncle Albert. Safe journey. Bye Bye's Howard & Betty Roe

Betty Roe - October 05, 2021 at 03:40 PM



“ Tommy Roe Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Shirley Ann Sorenson.



Tommy Roe Family - October 03, 2021 at 12:12 PM



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“ Paul and Sara my deepest sympathy on the loss of your Mom. I knew Shirley years ago when we worked at the Boy Scouts office. I hadn't seen her in years but often thought about her. Shirley was a wonderful person and I truly enjoyed her pleasant personality.

Know she will be greatly missed.

Jeanne Peterson - Bemidji, Mn

Jeanne Peterson - October 02, 2021 at 08:21 PM



“ My deepest sympathies to Shirleys family, I loved visiting with her when she'd stop by the desk after dinner. She was a very sweet lady.

Connie Fisher - October 03, 2021 at 05:21 PM



“ I worked with Shirley at S University Sanford, we had some great laughs and conversation. Great Lady! God will bless her!

Rosanna Anderson - October 02, 2021 at 08:03 AM



“ Hi Cousin, we will surely miss you. Your personality, humor, straight forwardness, kindness and caring. Our visits in Fargo were always a joy and your family were the best. We will miss your e-mails and telephone calls with lots of laughs. You were the bravest and now rest in peace.

We remember when we called you to ask if we could come to visit so Levoine and Florence could see each other (on Florence's birthday) and you welcomed us with open arms and treated us like part of your family. Thank you. It meant so much to our mother.

Too many good memories throughout our life.

Sherry, Roxie (Stennes) and Fritz

Roxie - October 01, 2021 at 06:27 PM



“ HI SIS, IM SURE GOING TO MISS OUR PHONE CALLS AND JUST CHIT CHATS...IVE BEEN SPENDING ALOT OF TIME JUST THINKING BACK WHEN YOU BEAT ME HOME FROM THE BUS AND TATTLE ON ME BUT I GOT BACK AT YOU BY CHASING YOU WITH A MOUSE..AND ECT AND ECT..I MUST HAVE SOME OF THE SAME GENES BECAUSE I TYPE ALL IN CAPS AS WELL..... ILL BE SPENDING A LOT OF TIME MISSING YOU BUT WE CAN TALK BACK AND FORTH LIKE MOM AND DAD DID WHEN DAD USED TO COME BACK AND SIT AT THE END OF MOMS BED....NOW REST IN PEACE AND I LOVE YOU....[SURE GLAD YOU GOT YOUR HAIR FIXED FOR YOUR PICTURE..YUCK-YUCK]

TOMMY ROE - October 01, 2021 at 03:22 PM



“ My dear friend, Shirley...so many good memories. Living across Hwy 200...we shared dolls, playhouses, and puppies. Our mothers sewed dresses alike for us, and eventually we married cousins. I will surely miss her sweet smile.

Carol Mae Stennes Sorenson - September 30, 2021 at 04:30 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Sorenson.



September 30, 2021 at 02:49 PM



“ What a beautifully written obituary!. My deepest sympathies to you all. God's Peace.
Dawn Rochester
San Antonio, TX

Dawn Rochester - September 30, 2021 at 11:36 AM



“ I met Shirley at garage sales and we would have a little chat. She was a hard worker and kept up her River Drive home spotlessly, mowing her big yard herself. She went through cancer treatment with strength and determination. Gale Larson

Gale Larson - September 30, 2021 at 09:36 AM



“ Barb Bickle lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Sorenson



Barb Bickle - September 29, 2021 at 07:47 PM