



Shirley Berger

June 29, 1933 - September 12, 2020

Shirley Berger, a remarkable lady who did not meet a piece of fabric she did not like. Preferably known as “Nana”, Shirley entered eternal life on Saturday, September 12, 2020. Nana was born June 29, 1933 to Adolf and Amanda (Bush) Burk in Morris, Illinois. She married Kenneth “Kenny” A. Berger on November 14, 1954; to which they had two sons, Brian and Gerald. She was a very skilled organist who played at Trinity Lutheran Church, where she was a member. She also used her talents to musically entertain at many different local venues. Shirley was employed by Herscher Grain Elevator for over 30 years. Nana thoroughly enjoyed creating anything and everything with her fleet of sewing machines and her endless yards of fabric. When she wasn’t behind the sewing machine, other joys that filled her heart were baking and cooking and just being in the kitchen where she happily perfected the peanut butter cookie for her grandchildren and great grandchildren. For the last 17 years Nana enjoyed traveling to many countries and snow birding every winter in Florida, where she made an endless supply of memories with Norman and a multitude of friends. One of Nana’s greatest joys was being able to watch her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren participate in all the activities they loved. Nana spent countless hours and drove countless miles to support all generations of her beloved family. Nana is survived by her longtime boyfriend Norman Bauer of Bonfield, Son and Daughter-In-Law, Brian and Rebecca Berger of Herscher, 3 grandchildren; Cassandra Royal (Tom) of Chebanse, Kenneth Berger (Amanda) of Herscher, Katherine Hull (Seth) of

Gibson City and 9 great-grandchildren; Kenneth, Remi, Josie, and Annabelle Royal, Preston, Arthur and Eloise Berger; David and Eden Hull. She is also survived by her two sisters; Barb Morphey of Mazon and Linda Beiswanger (Terry) of Houston, Texas, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth, her son Gerald and a brother-in-law, Ronald Morphey. Nana was feisty and full of life. She truly lived until her last moments here on Earth. Her faith in the Lord reassures us that her spirit lives on in Heaven. She is fiercely loved and will forever be missed. We love you Nana.....Or Shirley, Ma, Nan, Gran, Granny or her favorite "Granny Appleseed." A visitation will be 9-11 am, Friday, September 18, 2020 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Herscher, IL. The funeral service will follow at 11 am. Per CDC guidelines, masks and social distancing are required. Rev. Eric Brown will officiate the service. Burial is at Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Herscher, IL. Memorials may be made to family wishes. Please sign his online guestbook at www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery

Herscher, IL 60941

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church
255 E. Third
Herscher, IL 60941
(815) 426-2262

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Shirley Berger

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ Karen and I are so sad to hear that Shirley has passed on. We always enjoyed our time together whether it was in California at the Rose parade or visiting her and Norman in Illinois. Our sincere condolences to my cousin and good friend Norman and Shirley's family. She was a wonderful person who will be greatly missed.



Ray Stahl - September 18, 2020 at 10:59 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Shirley's passing. She was quite a lay and so talented in many ways. Our sympathy to her family, she will be missed. Norman sorry for your loss also. Dona & Merlyn Witheft

Donna & Merlyn Witheft - September 18, 2020 at 09:48 AM



“ Sorry for your loss.

Ronald Ramsey - September 17, 2020 at 02:12 AM

CB

“ Shirley was so creative, always had a craft going. Loved and talked about the grandchildren all the time, telling us what event she attended and where. Going to miss her at tractor events. Harley and Carol Buente



Carol Buente - September 15, 2020 at 06:24 PM

VB

“ Shirley made all of the girls dresses in our wedding party. Our Deepest Sympathy to her family.



Vickie Bertrand - September 15, 2020 at 02:48 PM

JF

“ My condolences to Shirley's family. Spent many Friday nights with Shirley at the Gardner Haus Inn. She loved playing her music. Wonderful lady !

Janice Flint - September 14, 2020 at 10:49 PM

DR

“ Our condolences to the family. May God give you all the strength and comfort during the difficult time. Deb Rice, Victoria, & Cam



Deborah Rice - September 14, 2020 at 10:08 PM

BH

“ *Bryan & Joelene Hays lit a candle in memory of Shirley Berger*



Bryan & Joelene Hays - September 14, 2020 at 03:36 PM

LP

Shirley was a lovely lady and good friend had a lot of enjoyable meals together in Fla andaround kkk always a joy to be with her and Norman Rest In Peace my friend and my prayers are with her family and Norman

IRollie and Loretta Folkert Cissna park - September 15, 2020 at 02:03 PM

BW

Sorry for your loss, to all her family and friends. Prayers to each and everyone, very sweet lady,RIP

Bob and Dana Warhurst - September 15, 2020 at 11:40 PM

LB

Thoughts and prayers going to Norman and the family.

Linda Bauer - September 16, 2020 at 11:38 AM

CC

Always enjoyed seeing her at her family's activities, she didn't miss much and sure loved watching all of her kids! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all - Ray and Cindy Carson

Cynthia Carson - September 16, 2020 at 11:57 AM