



Shirley Ann Krejci (Embrey)

January 10, 1926 - November 19, 2014

Shirley Ann (Denker)(Embrey) Krejci, daughter of C. Henry (Hy) and Annabel (Sass) Denker was born January 10, 1926 in Elkhorn, NE.

Shirley was baptized into the Bethany Lutheran Church on August 26, 1928. She was confirmed into that faith in 1939. On August 26, 1951, she became a member of the Waterloo Church of Christ and was fully immersed in baptism. Later in life, when she married Ed, she became a confirmed member of the Catholic Church at St. John's Catholic Church in Valley.

Shirley attended grade school at District 48 outside Elkhorn until she entered Elkhorn High School and attended for 3 years. Her family moved to Waterloo in 1942, and she finished her senior year of high school in Waterloo, graduating in 1943.

Shirley obtained a job at J.C. Robinson Seed Co. in July of 1943, and worked there until 1948 when she left to start a family.

Shirley was united in marriage to James W. (Bill) Embrey on June 29, 1947 at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Elkhorn with Rev. Beckman officiating. To this union, four children were born; Sterling, John, Tom and Connie.

Shirley began a career at the Waterloo Post Office on May 28, 1964. She worked in Waterloo for 20 years, and transferred to the Valley Post Office in 1984-occasionally coming back to Waterloo to fill-in as needed. She retired from the Post Office on November 30, 1990 with 26 years of service.

She started her retirement and a new life when she married Ed Krejci on February 8, 1991 in Laguna Niguel, CA, and they made their home in

Waterloo, NE.

She was preceded in death by son Sterling in 1979, her husband Bill in 1983, great grandson Garret in 2006, and her grandson Seth in 2009. She is survived by her children; John (Pam), Tom (Patti Bertelsen) Embrey, and Connie (Steve) Martin, brother Ronald Denker, and her husband Ed Krejci and his children; Don (Cookie) and Mike (Laurita). She is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews amongst all of the families.

Funeral Mass Saturday, 10:30 AM, St. John's Catholic in Valley with interment at Prospect Hill Cemetery, Elkhorn. Visitation Friday at the church from 4-7 PM with a wake service at 7 PM. Memorials to the church or the Waterloo Fire & Rescue.

Tribute Wall



“ *Shirley Ann Krejci (Embrey)*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Shirley was like another Mom when I was growing up in Waterloo. She used to babysit my sister Jane and cousin Kelly, she always wanted a girl and then was blessed with Connie. A lot of fond memories about the old neighborhood. Shirley was a saint and will truly be missed. God bless to the Embrey and Krejci families.*

Tom And Virginia Geiser

Tom And Virginia Geiser and family - November 21, 2014 at 10:57 AM



“ *My condolences go out to you and your family in this difficult time. I would like to share a beautiful Bible hope from God found in Revelation 21:3, 4 that assures us He will wipe all tears from their eyes, and there will be no more death, suffering, crying, or pain. This Scripture has helped me and many others to be able to cope with the loss of a loved one. I hope it helps you also.*

Janice Griffith - November 21, 2014 at 08:25 AM



“ *Dear Mike, Laurita and family.....
You are all in our thoughts and prayers. We wish we could be home for you during this time.
There are just no words for the hurt you are all feeling.....just hugs and love.
Love you all!!!*

Doug & Claudia Coffey - November 20, 2014 at 07:00 PM