



Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton

September 24, 2019

Shirley Joe Bolton, daughter of Robert Darrel Starmer and Elizabeth Pauline Starmer, was born March 20, 1956 in Waynesville, Mo. Shirley was the second to youngest daughter of 4 sisters- Linda, Mary, and Donna. When talking about growing up, Shirley often referenced the book “Little Women”. Shirley would say the Starmer sisters resembled the ‘March sisters’ and she was proud of that.

Shirley graduated Richland High school in 1974. Shirley spent her early adult life as what she would call “an army wife”. During this time Shirley gained a daughter, Kelli, and gave birth to a daughter, Donna Lynn. Although Shirley enjoyed the “army wife life” and moving from state to state, she knew Richland would always be home, and later returned.

Shirley spent most of her occupational life as a waitress. Not because of the money, but because she loved serving people. Shirley had a heart for people, and truly cared about every person she came in contact with. She did not have “customers”, she had friends. When Shirley would ask someone how their day was going, she meant it. Her coworkers were like family.

Shirley served people in many ways. During Christmas Shirley would spend days baking cookies to give out to family and friends. Not only did she like baking them, but she also liked telling people how good they were! Shirley

loved watching the food network, reading about new recipes, and even making her own. Shirley was known for winning many blue ribbons for her cooking creations. Shirley also loved dancing...to nearly everything she heard! She had the same 'dance move' for every song, and didn't mind showing it off to anyone, anywhere! Shirley was also known to be a "goof ball". She loved making people smile, or in some cases embarrassing loved ones (especially her nieces and nephews) to get a laugh! Shirley's favorite way to spend time was with family. She loves shopping with her sisters and camping with family.

In Shirley's later years she had two big loves. Her companion, Randy and her granddaughter, Elliott.

Although Shirley and Randy didn't meet until later in life, it was as if they had been together forever. Shirley loved going "gravel roading" and learning new things from Randy. She picked up golfing, gardening, and even a love for wrestling!

Shirley had another love. Her granddaughter Elliott. Anywhere Shirley went she would bring out pictures of her granddaughter, bragging how they looked alike. She loved making Elliott laugh and their McDonalds dates, but loved her "wet" kisses most of all.

There is no doubt that Shirley left an impression on everyone she came across. She touched many lives and will be missed by many.

Shirley leaves to cherish her memory two daughters, Donna Lynn Allen (Jake) of Grove, OK and Kelli Smith (Jon) of Orlando, FL; three grandchildren, Elliott Allen of Grove, OK, Brody and Brielle Smith both of Orlando, FL; longtime companion, Randy Lewis of Richland, MO; her father Robert Starmer of Richland, MO; three sisters, Linda Woody (Jay Powers) of Richland, MO, Mary Reese (Don) of Highlandville, MO and Donna Sackett (Craig) of Richland, MO; several nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and

friends.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m., Friday, September 27, 2019 in the First Christian Church of Richland with Pastor Mark Kupier officiating. Favorite music selections included, "Jesus I My Cross has Taken," "Ten Thousand Reason" and "All Must Be Well" were played. Serving as escorts were Don Reese, Craig Sackett, Jay Powers, Don Bohannon, Randy Lewis, II and Matt Schnabel. Honorary escorts were Jake Allen and Jon Smith. Burial followed in the Oaklawn Cemetery of Richland.

Services were under the care and direction of Memorial Chapel of Richland.

In lieu of flowers, memorials have been suggested to Shirley's daughter, Donna Lynn Allen. Memorials may be left at the funeral home.

Online condolences can be sent at www.memorialchapelsandcrematory.com

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Cemetery

Richland, MO 65556

Tribute Wall



“ Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ She will be truly missed. Glad she isn't suffering anymore. She is and was one of my truest friends.



Carolyn shoemaker - October 08, 2019 at 01:00 PM



“ Pulaski County Camp Gideons lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton



Pulaski County Camp Gideons - October 03, 2019 at 12:26 AM



“ Chris Malley lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton



Chris Malley - September 27, 2019 at 06:41 PM

DM

“ So sorry for your loss, Have hope in tomorrow, have faith in the everlasting, and take comfort in the of family and friends.
Kristie Daughtery, Sue Pentecost and Family.



Dalene McDaniel - September 27, 2019 at 11:42 AM

CA

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family.
Carol & Jerry Gideon



Carol - September 27, 2019 at 11:20 AM

LV

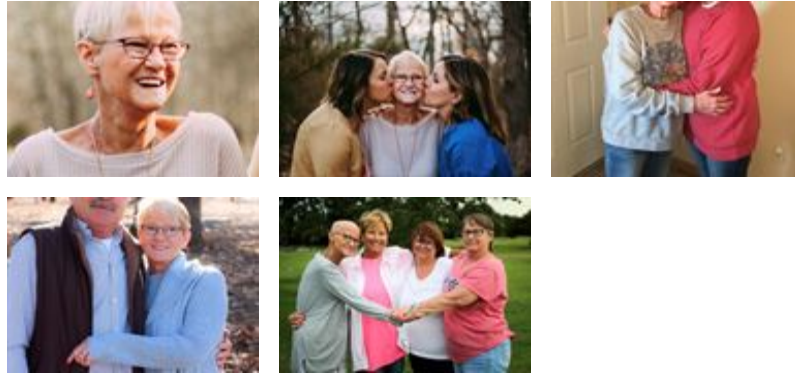
“ *Linda Veasman lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton*



Linda Veasman - September 26, 2019 at 08:08 PM



“ 61 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - September 26, 2019 at 06:22 PM



“ *Don And Linda Goforth sent a virtual gift in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton*



Don and Linda Goforth - September 26, 2019 at 02:35 PM



“ *Ronnie Wilson lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton*



Ronnie Wilson - September 26, 2019 at 09:01 AM

BC

“ *Barbara Clark lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton*



Barbara clark - September 26, 2019 at 07:55 AM

NW

“ *So very sorry for your loss. She fought a valiant fight and always had a smile on her face. Rest In Peace, Shirley. You will be missed by so many.*

Neal and Vicki Woody - September 26, 2019 at 07:44 AM

DM

“ *Debby Myers sent a virtual gift in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton*



Debby Myers - September 26, 2019 at 07:32 AM

MN

“ *We are so sorry for the loss of her life. She put up a good fight ! We are praying for all of her Family.*



Jim and Mary Nunley

Mary Nunley - September 25, 2019 at 11:34 PM

SP

“ Shirley Profest lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton



Shirley Profest - September 25, 2019 at 11:28 PM

DP

“ David Pemberton lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton



David Pemberton - September 25, 2019 at 11:02 PM

RH

“ Robin Hobbs lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton



Robin Hobbs - September 25, 2019 at 08:46 PM

SH

“ Shirley Henry lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton



Shirley Henry - September 25, 2019 at 08:00 PM

WW

“ Prayers for the family 🕊



Wm&Ana Willoughby - September 25, 2019 at 06:59 PM

SH

“ Shirley was brave and beautiful and touched so many lives for the better. Our Richland Family was richer because of her and our hearts ache. San and I are blessed by her friendship. We Love You. ❤️❤️



Sharon & Sandra Howlett - September 25, 2019 at 06:09 PM

SH

“ Sharon And Sandra Howlett lit a candle in memory of Shirley Joe Starmer-Bolton



Sharon And Sandra Howlett - September 25, 2019 at 06:03 PM