



Shirley Ann Knudsen

June 16, 1928 - April 25, 2022

Shirley Ann Knudsen age 93 of Ludington, passed away peacefully on Monday, April 25, 2022 in her home. She was born June 16, 1928 in Ludington, the daughter of Thomas and Gertrude (Meissner) Love, and graduated from Ludington High School with the class of 1946.

On October 14, 1950, Shirley married the love of her life Ribert W. Knudsen in Ludington, who preceded her in death and whom she missed dearly. Shirley worked at Sears and Pyrofax Gas in Ludington and was a long-time member of St John's Lutheran Church in Ludington which she missed attending in person in recent years along with missing her cousin lunches. Shirley was a bowler in her younger days and an avid lifelong Detroit Tigers Fan. At home, she enjoyed relaxing with a good daytime TV game show while working a puzzle book, or maybe crocheting. Shirley had many great memories with her family and close friends, including many good meals and pontoon boat rides at the cottage on Crystal Lake over the years. She enjoyed any time she could get all of her family together, which made her surprise 90th birthday party a real treat recently. Shirley always enjoyed making a run thru the beach whenever she was in town.

Shirley will be missed by her daughter and son-in-law Karen and Larry Rathburn, her son and daughter-in-law Tom and Brenda (Morse) Knudsen, and her daughter Janet Jankoviak. She will also be missed by her

grandchildren Chris and Shevonne Rathburn, Diane and Tim Sommerfeldt, Sara and Matt Cuckler, Mike and Brooke Jankoviak, Marissa Knudsen and Chyanne Knudsen, her great-grandkids Noah Murawski, Avery Ferrell, Leigha Sommerfeldt, Paige Jankoviak, Oak and Ash Rathburn, also by her family and longtime friend Margie Lokovich.

Along with her husband Ribert, Shirley was preceded in death by her parents, her son-in-law Scott Jankoviak, two granddaughters Janna Rathburn and Kristen Jankoviak, and longtime family friends Jerry and Jeri Lou Carpenter.

No funeral visitation or services are scheduled at this time. Shirley's ashes will be spread alongside those of her husband on their farm where she lived her entire married life.

Tribute Wall

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Jane Vivyan - April 30, 2022 at 08:43 AM

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We have so many wonderful, fun memories with The Knudsen Family - Shirley will be in our hearts always- may all of the memories help you to find comfort. I'm sure she had quite the welcoming group in heaven - we will miss her!! XOXOXO

Jane Vivyan - April 30, 2022 at 08:47 AM

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Our sympathy to the family of Momma Knudsen. It was always fun at her party's seeing her smile. Thanks Tom for letting us enjoy your mom.

Sharon & Stan - May 09, 2022 at 11:39 AM