



Shirley J. Hostetler

May 29, 1940 - December 17, 2025

Shirley J. Hostetler, 85, of Huntington, passed away at 6:13 am Wednesday, December 17, 2025 at the Waters of Huntington.

Shirley was born on May 29, 1940 in Conewango Valley, NY, the daughter of Frank Erickson and Emma Jean (Beeman) Erickson. She graduated from Huntington High School with the Class of 1958 and married Joe Hostetler on December 25, 1957 in Young America, IN. She retired from First National Bank as a Bank Teller after 30 years of service. Shirley also worked at Mikes Car Care Center as a Bookkeeper and Receptionist and was a Waitress at Bob Miller Pharmacy. Shirley enjoyed collecting Horses and Hummingbirds and she loved to Bowl.

Survivors include her Husband, Joe Hostetler of Huntington, IN; Son, Curtis (Marci) Hostetler of Huntington, IN; Daughter, Sherry (Mike) Keplinger of Huntington, IN; Grandchildren, Andrew, Michel, Michelle, Christa, and Chelsee; Seven Great-Grandchildren; and several Nieces and Nephews. She is preceded in death by her Father, Frank C. Erickson, Mother, Emma Jean Erickson, Brother, Robert Erickson, Sister, Lynette McCain, and Sister, Gail Mook.

Visitation will be from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm Friday, December 19, 2025 at Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN. Funeral

services will be held at 12:30 pm Friday, December 19, 2025 at Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary. Burial will follow the service at Gardens of Memory in Marion, IN.

Preferred memorials may be made in memory of Shirley to the choice of the Donor, in care of Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Shirley J. Hostetler.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 19. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
35 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750
(260) 356-1710
wecare@baileylove.com
<https://www.baileylove.com>

Service

DEC 19. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Burial

DEC 19 (ET)

Gardens of Memory
11201 S. Marion Road 35
Marion, IN 46952

Tribute Wall



“ *Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary has created this video tribute in memory of Shirley.* ”



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - December 18, 2025 at 02:19 PM

CE

Beautiful lady. I remember her from the bank many years ago. I am so very for your loss. Carolyn Eltzroth

Carolyn Eltzroth - December 20, 2025 at 07:25 AM



Such a beautiful tribute. Wade and I are sending huge hugs and much love at this difficult time. Love you all.

Brian James-Richardson - December 21, 2025 at 04:34 AM

PF

“ *So sorry, Joe and family, for your loss. Shirley was a sweet and lovely person.* ”

Phyllis Fordyce - December 25, 2025 at 08:37 PM

TS

“ *To Shirley's family and friends my thoughts and prayers are with you.
Joe, Curtis, and Sherry sorry for your loss.
Terry* ”



Terry E Scher - December 25, 2025 at 08:24 AM

JT

“ *Joan L Tardy lit a candle in memory of Shirley Hostetler*



Joan L Tardy - December 19, 2025 at 01:37 PM

JF

“ *My Prayers are with all the Family So Sorry for your loss.*



June Frederick - December 19, 2025 at 01:17 PM

WH

“ *Our heart goes out to the family. Shirley was a gracious hostess as I stayed in their home several times. I enjoyed my times with them and know that she is rejoicing in the arms of her Lord.*

William John Hurst - December 18, 2025 at 10:57 PM

SK

“ *Shirley M Kiefer lit a candle in memory of Shirley Hostetler*



Shirley M Kiefer - December 18, 2025 at 06:31 PM

SK

“ So sorry about your mother. She is in a wonderful place now



Shirley M Kiefer - December 18, 2025 at 06:30 PM

RS

“ So sorry to hear of your loss she was a beautiful person and will be missed my heart goes out to Joe and the family sorry I can't be there love you all Becky and Ken Larr and Nate shaffer



Rebecca shafferlarr - December 18, 2025 at 02:02 PM

JR

“ She was the sweetest Aunt anyone could ever ask for. So many wonderful memories of long visits with lots of coffee and her fabulous Lemon meringue pie. She'd always have one ready when Mom and I showed up. So much love went into everything she did. I will miss her dearly. Love, Julie

Julie Rhodeback - December 18, 2025 at 01:52 PM

JA

“ Jay & Donna Andrews purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Shirley J. Hostetler.



Jay & Donna Andrews - December 18, 2025 at 07:43 AM

JA

“ Jay & Donna Andrews planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley J. Hostetler.

Jay & Donna Andrews - December 18, 2025 at 07:43 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Shirley J. Hostetler.



December 18, 2025 at 02:24 AM

LD

“ To Joe and Family,

*Kathy, John and I are sorry for your loss. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her. May your faith give you strength and comfort.
With love, Lynn*

Lynn Denea - December 17, 2025 at 11:07 PM

SS

“ Sherry, I'm so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I always thought she was so beautiful and elegant. Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Susan Solloway Stroud

Susan Solloway Stroud - December 17, 2025 at 04:59 PM

RH

“ *With Our Deepest Sympathy*
We are so very sorry. Shirley was always so sweet.
Roy and Rhonda Branham

Rhonda - December 17, 2025 at 04:54 PM