



## Erika V. Moxley

May 17, 1942 - July 21, 2024

Erika V. Moxley, beloved mother, grandmother (Granny), great-grandmother, and retired Sergeant Major (SGM) of the US Army Reserve, passed away on July 21, 2024, surrounded by loved ones. She was born in Karlsruhe, Germany, on May 17, 1942, to Friedrich Kureija and Elisabeth Vogler. Erika embarked on a remarkable journey that spanned continents and touched countless lives.

Erika's life was marked by service and creativity. After immigrating to the United States on December 31, 1963, she proudly served in the US Army Reserve, enlisting in 1974 and achieving the esteemed rank of Sergeant Major before retiring with honor in 2002. Her military career as an Active Duty Reservist took her across the globe, with one of her fondest postings being in Korea. Her dedication and leadership inspired all who served alongside her.

Beyond her military duties, Erika had a passion for quilting and crafting handmade cards, forming lifelong bonds with many quilting friends. Her creations were not just art but cherished gifts that reflected her warmth and creativity. Many will remember her for the care and detail she put into each piece, making them true treasures for family and friends.

Erika actively participated in numerous quilting guilds and various organizations, including The American Legion, The Non-Commissioned

Officers Association, Sisters of the Sword, and The Red Hat Society, among others.

Family was central to Erika's life, and she cherished being called "Granny". She found immense joy in attending her grandchildren's and great-grandchildren's activities, from sports events to school performances. Her unwavering support and presence were a source of strength and love for her family over the years.

Erika also leaves behind her beloved companion, Hot Rod, a dachshund who brought her immense joy and comfort. Their bond was a source of companionship and happiness throughout her life.

Erika's legacy of kindness, strength, and creativity will live on in the hearts of all who knew her. She leaves behind a legacy of service, love, and dedication that will continue to inspire generations to come.

She is preceded in death by her son, Howard T. Moxley.

Erika's legacy of service, creativity, and love will be carried on by her daughter Heidi L. Gilbert, daughter and son-in-law Lynn and Bruce Schutte, daughter-in-law Kimberly Moxley, grandsons Thomas (Katie) Schutte, Georg Schutte, Trévon Gilbert, and Tanner Moxley, and great-grandchildren Shayda, Greer, and Emrick Schutte.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Patriot Paws in memory of Erika, whose life was defined by service and compassion.

A memorial service to celebrate Erika's life will be held at Fort McPherson National Cemetery in Maxwell, NE, on July 29, 2024, at 1 pm, with a Celebration of Life to follow at The American Legion in Bartley, NE, at 5 pm.

All who knew and loved her are invited to attend and share in honoring her remarkable journey.

Erika, your legacy of love and dedication will forever be cherished and remembered. Rest in peace, knowing your impact on this world will never fade and will live on through the love your children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren have for you.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort McPherson National Cemetery

12004 State Highway 56A Spur  
Maxwell, NE  
(308) 582-4433

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL 29. 1:00 PM (CT)

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12004 State Highway 56A Spur  
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## Celebration of Life

JUL 29. 5:00 PM.

Bartley American Legion

# Tribute Wall



“ Margaret Schlumper planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Erika V. Moxley.

Margaret Schlumper - July 27, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Erika V. Moxley.



July 27, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ To a beautiful lady with a loving heart God speed sweetie



Helen Whitfield - July 25, 2024 at 07:53 PM



“ Southwest Nebraska Dental Center planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Erika V. Moxley.

Southwest Nebraska Dental Center - July 23, 2024 at 04:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Erika V. Moxley.*



July 23, 2024 at 04:36 PM



“ *I served with Erika twice in St Louis, she helped me out during my career many times, she was a Great Soldier and wonderful lady, May God Comfort her Family during this time*



**carla bride** - July 23, 2024 at 03:41 PM



*Dear family....my love and prayers are with you! 🙏*

**Beverly Fowler** - July 24, 2024 at 03:10 PM



“ *Gayle & Jack Stayton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Erika V. Moxley.*

**Gayle & Jack Stayton** - July 23, 2024 at 01:46 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Erika V. Moxley.*



July 23, 2024 at 01:46 PM

GS

“ Oh, Erika! We've been friends for over 50 years. You went to the hospital with when Andrea died, shortly after birth. You are my daughter Anne's God-Mother, and you were my Matron of Honor when I married Tom. I shall miss the handmade birthday cards that I received for the last how many years! You were there for me when I needed you. I shall miss you. And I shall treasure my afghan even more.

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**Gayle Stayton** - July 23, 2024 at 01:26 PM

PC

“ Pam Christian lit a candle in memory of Erika Moxley



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**Pam Christian** - July 23, 2024 at 07:19 AM

DS

“ As a lifelong extended family member, and my Godmother, I'm saddened to think of life here in earth without you here. You were a true example of a woman, and an American. You lived your family and your country, and a true heart of gold. I will miss my annual handmade birthday cards, but cherish the memories and forever cherish my handmade quilt. You are loved and will be missed. Sail on, Aunt Erika.

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**Diana Schultz** - July 23, 2024 at 06:26 AM

LB

“ *Linda Boyles lit a candle in memory of Erika Moxley*



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**Linda Boyles** - July 23, 2024 at 01:45 AM

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“ *Erika is one of my favorite people. I am blessed to have had her in my life. She always made those around her feel good. Her wit was wonderful, her quilting beautiful, her friendship warm. You are missed very much, my friend.*

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**EldaGay Elkins** - July 23, 2024 at 12:17 AM

LB

“ Oh my dear friend Erika you will be so missed. Nobody could get lost better than you and I and sometimes we were using GPS. I told you once when I first started driving at 18 I road all the way around 285 because I didn't know it went in a complete circle. I sign said I was going North and the very next sign I was going south. Then you confessed you had done the same thing when you first came to GA.... I have never laughed so hard in my entire life. Then going to a card festival in Gwinnett we ended up almost at the South Carolina state line....geezzz we have been driving a really long way..where are we now! Too much talking and never paying attention to where we were. My most treasured times were at your house sewing together with Margaret for many years. Good food, good times, lots of conversations and oh the mistakes we made.... mostly yours haha!!! if you believe that one. Poor Margaret could not work on her own stuff because she was to busy fixing ours. Sometimes we would sew from 9 am to 9pm at night. Hot Rod was such a hoot and I never left with a dirty face from all his kisses. I remember when you said you were going to Nebraska and secretly we all thought I hope you change your mind. A year rocked on and we had many discussions about it and then boom in a month you were gone up north. I wondered how you and hot rod would handle the first snow. It was very important for you to spend time with your grandson, great grandchildren and the rest of your family there. I am so glad you had that year to do that. Then suddenly you were taken from us. I never got to see your new house or get lost in Nebraska with you. You always think you will have time. We were supposed to drive around 285 together before you left but Rand out of time. Trust me I will do it for you. Rest in peace my friend, God speed and don't get lost up there  
Linda Boyles

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Linda Boyles - July 22, 2024 at 08:21 PM