



## Shirley A. Bonk

October 14, 1954 - March 25, 2019

Shirley Bonk, 64  
Kearney resident

Shirley A. Bonk, 64, of Kearney, died Monday, March 25, 2019 at CHI Health Good Samaritan Hospital. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 29, 2019 at St. James Catholic Church. Father Joe Hannappel will officiate. Inurnment will take place at Kearney Cemetery. The family will receive friends 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thursday at St. James Catholic Church followed by a Vigil/ Prayer Service beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Memorials are suggested to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Shirley was born October 14, 1954 in Columbus, Nebraska to Edward and Joan (Mahoney) Pieters. She was raised in Columbus, NE and was a 1972 graduate of Columbus High School. On January 13, 1973, Shirley was united in marriage to David Bonk at St Isidore's Catholic Church in Columbus, NE. To this union four children were blessed; Lisa, Philip, Mark and Paul.

Shirley served as the parish secretary at St. James Catholic Church for 16 years before retiring in 2016. She was a member of St. James Catholic Church where she was active on several different committees, including taking communion to homebound parish members. Shirley enjoyed Scrabble, crossword puzzles, playing cards, reading and fishing. But above all, she loved being a mother and grandmother.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband, David Bonk of Kearney; children, Lisa (Gary) Barnes of Lincoln, Philip (Marissa) Bonk of South St. Paul, MN, Mark (Christine) Bonk of Kearney and Paul (Lauren) Bonk of Kearney; grandchildren, Matthew, Aaron, Zachary and Michael Barnes, Olivia, Andrew, Allison and Owen Bonk, Fisher and Siena Bonk, Charles and Lucille Bonk; two brothers; five sisters; and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents; one brother; and one sister.

# Cemetery Details

## Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 233-3244

# Previous Events

## Family receiving friends

MAR 28. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church  
3801 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847

## Vigil / Prayer Service

MAR 28. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church  
3801 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 29. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church  
3801 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847



# Tribute Wall



“ Shirley A. Bonk

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January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ Dave. Anne and I share our prayers with you and your family. Sorry for your loss  
Dick Audas

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**Dick Audas** - April 22, 2019 at 08:05 PM



“ I was saddened to hear of Shirley's passing. I met her many years ago in O'Neill when my 2 girls and Mark and Paul were young. I appreciated spending time with her and exchanging child care. I happened to run into her a few years ago in Kearney. It was good to catch up, she was a good person and easy to talk to. My condolences to your family. ---Deb Ludemann

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**Deb Ludemann** - April 09, 2019 at 04:37 PM



“ Lisa, and the rest of the family - I'm so sorry for your lost. I remember your mom's warm smile and bubbly laughter. Praying for peace and comfort. Your former guitar teacher, Martha Kuhlman Hornbostel.

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**Martha Kuhlman Hornbostel** - April 07, 2019 at 01:06 AM

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“ *Dave and all family - my heart hurts for you! Shirley was always pleasant to be around and it was great to see her, especially with the distances you always traveled for the family reunions. May God keep her in his loving arms for all eternity!*  
*Pat Inselman*

Pat Inselman - March 28, 2019 at 05:35 PM

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“ *Thinking of you, Phil, and your entire family, at this most difficult time. I hope prayers, your faith and wonderful memories will sustain you and lift your spirits, now and until you see her again.* *Bob and Barb Nielsen*



Barb Nielsen - March 28, 2019 at 11:01 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Shirley A. Bonk.*



March 27, 2019 at 07:17 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Shirley A. Bonk.*



March 27, 2019 at 02:58 PM

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“ *Dave and Family,*

*May perpetual light shine upon Shirley. She made me smile and laugh while quietly teaching me all sorts of things. Shirley was loyal, dedicated, of strong character, and willing to do anything for you. I love her and will miss her terribly. Prayers will be lifted up for Shirley, and all in your family. May God grant you peace in your hearts.*

*Candi Koenig*

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**Candi Koenig** - March 27, 2019 at 11:23 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Shirley A. Bonk.*



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March 27, 2019 at 11:13 AM

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“ *From the families listed above. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Shirley A. Bonk.*



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**From the families listed above.** - March 27, 2019 at 10:12 AM

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“ Vern, Mark, Sheri, and Kathy purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Shirley A. Bonk.



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**Vern, Mark, Sheri, and Kathy** - March 26, 2019 at 08:04 PM