



Shirley A. Goldtrap

March 1, 1929 - April 24, 2022

Shirley A. Goldtrap, 93, of Milford passed away on Sunday, April 24, 2022, at the Accura Healthcare Center in Milford.

A private family burial will be held in the West Bend Cemetery in West Bend, IA. A Celebration of Life will be held June 11, from Noon to 3:00 pm at ParkView Inn and Suites in West Bend, IA.

Shirley was born March 1, 1929, in West Bend, Iowa to Roy and Esther (Jurgens) Forsythe. After her mother's death in 1930 she was raised by her grandparents Awalt and Lydia Jurgens. In 1947 Shirley graduated from West Bend High School. After high school she attended Americana University of Beauty in Des Moines and graduated in 1948.

November 26, 1951, Shirley married John Goldtrap in West Bend. Shirley owned and operated a beauty shop in West Bend until 1969. The couple moved to rural Terril and returned to West Bend for a short time and then moved back to the farm. After John's death in 1983 Shirley moved to Milford. From 1986 to her retirement in 2003 Shirley worked as a caregiver and housekeeper in the lakes area.

In her free time, you could find Shirley gardening, sewing, or doing crafts. She also enjoyed bowling and snowmobiling. At Christmas time one of her favorite things to do was making gingerbread houses with the grandchildren. Shirley was a Member of the American Legion Auxiliary since 1950.

Shirley is preceded in death by her husband, John, parents Roy and Esther Forsythe and stepmother Jean Forsythe, siblings, Roy, Robert (Beverly),

James (Carol), Raymond, George Forsythe and grandson, Jeffery Laubenthal. Left to cherish her memory are her children Sherrie (Michael) Laubenthal, Spencer; Brian (Connie) Goldtrap, Spirit Lake; Grandchildren, Ryan (Melany) Laubenthal, Milford, IA; Rachel (Nathan) Cummings, West Des Moines; and Brett (Emily) Goldtrap, Phoenix, AZ; Great grandson Thomas Laubenthal. Sisters George Ann Hadley and Colleen Kollasch. Sister-in-laws Donna Forsythe, and Carol Forsythe, and many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers a donation in her memory may be made to the Milford American Legion Auxiliary, Unit #384. Mail to: LaVonne Siemers, 1306 Terrance Park Blvd., Milford, IA 51351 or Sherrie Laubenthal, 1403 8th Ave SW, Spencer, IA 51301

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 11. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

ParkView Inn and Suites
13 4th St NE
West Bend, IA 50597

Tribute Wall

RD

“ Rosemary Dunn lit a candle in memory of Shirley A. Goldtrap



Rosemary Dunn - April 27, 2022 at 04:29 PM

RD

I have many fond memories of Shirley. She taught me a lot about flowers and flower arrangements. Wayne & I had some great times with Johnny and Shirley. My Deepest Sympathy to the family.

Rosemary Dunn - April 27, 2022 at 04:32 PM

GB

“ Greg & Dee Baloun lit a candle in memory of Shirley A. Goldtrap



Greg & Dee Baloun - April 27, 2022 at 01:12 PM

DS

“ Dean And Susan Schoning lit a candle in memory of Shirley A. Goldtrap



Dean and Susan Schoning - April 26, 2022 at 08:27 PM

WM

“ I so enjoyed my visits with Shirley at Accura! A beautiful human being through and through! Celebrating her memory!

Wynette Moore - April 26, 2022 at 02:11 PM

JS

“ JoAnn & Leon Stoermer lit a candle in memory of Shirley A. Goldtrap



JoAnn & Leon Stoermer - April 26, 2022 at 10:24 AM

DK

“ Diana Kies lit a candle in memory of Shirley A. Goldtrap



Diana Kies - April 25, 2022 at 08:39 PM

AM

“ I remember my visits with Uncle John and Aunt Shirley at their farm and later with Aunt Shirley at family reunions. Sorry we didn't live closer together. Alice Medina

Alice Medina - April 25, 2022 at 08:20 PM