



## Lorene Yvonne Shurtz

October 4, 1929 - March 6, 2015

### YVONNE SHURTZ

L. Yvonne Shurtz, of Forest City, Illinois, passed away peacefully with loving family by her side on Friday, March 6, 2015, at Grand View Alzheimer's Special Care Center.

Yvonne was born October 4, 1929 in Christopher, Illinois, to Tracy Baxter Fomby and Hazel Lillian (Galloway) Fomby. She married Marion Ray Shurtz on Feb., 22, 1948, in DuQuoin, Illinois, who preceded her in death July 24, 2014.

Surviving are her eight children, Dale Shurtz of Forest City, Gale (Laura) Shurtz of Manito, Susie (Jim) Armstrong of East Peoria, Sally (Ron) Walker of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., Lisa (Paul) Sutherland of Olney, Karen Linsberg of Braden River, Fla., Kathleen (Terry) Benedict of Farmington, John (Alison) Shurtz of Aurora and very special addition to his family Pearlie Harris; eighteen grandchildren, Jeremy Shurtz, Katie (Steve) Prytiscosh, Quinn Schad, Danessa (Cliff) Quine, Mindy Armstrong, Corey Armstrong, Amanda Nudelman, Danny Nudelman, Sean (Jessica) Sutherland, Tori (Andy) Walden, Kalin (Greg) Linsberg, Karly Linsberg, Kasey Linsberg, Donnie (Jessie) Malmquist, Jaime (Andy) Weilacher, Steve Malmquist, Joe Shurtz, and Ruth Shurtz; 20 great-grandchildren; siblings Gwen Sue and Barbara Sue Burke. She was preceded in death by her step sister, Betty Ann and sister, Audrey

Rae.

Yvonne was a nurse at Marshall Browning Hospital in DuQuoin until she married, then GE in her early married years followed by 20 years as Regional Manager for Tri-Chem. She then opened Yvonne's Me'Tier, a porcelain and ceramic shop specializing in dolls.

Yvonne never met a stranger and readily welcomed anyone in need to the family table. She spearheaded several programs to help others including sending toys and cloth diapers to Albania through missionaries. She incorporated her love of music and crafts into her church work. Serving as music director, as well as pianist, she also supervised crafts each summer for vacation bible school. The last church she attended was Valley Chapel in Green Valley. She was a high energy, vibrant personality. She will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by all who love her.

Services will be held Wednesday, March 11th at 10:30 am at Maas Funeral Home in Manito. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 pm, Tuesday, March 10th also at Maas Funeral Home. Burial will be at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield at 1:00 pm immediately after service..

Memorials may be made to The Alzheimer's Association of Peoria in her honor. To place a online condolence go to [www.hurleyobits.com](http://www.hurleyobits.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Camp Butler National Cemetery

5063 Camp Butler Road  
Springfield, IL 62707  
(217) 492-4070

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Maas Hurley Funeral Home - Manito  
301 S. Washington St.  
P.O. Box #442  
Manito, IL 61546  
(309) 968-6157  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Lorene Yvonne Shurtz

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *had so many good times together and also shared the sad and in between times , a few times I remember using the very same things she had said to me back to her she was a friend, surrogate mom , sister all rolled into one. a great lady who lived what she believed and a true inspiration to others . miss you lots and that lovely smile and laugh and still thing of things I want to ask u and now cant but u taught me so much . will always love u and we will meet again some day till then may God hold u in the palm of his hand*

**judi albright** - March 24, 2016 at 09:57 AM



“ *DALE, GALE AND JOHN, SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YVONNES PASSING. i WANTED TO MAKE IT TO THE VISITATION BUT STEPHENIE ANN HAD TO WORK AND EVELYN, THE LADY YVONNE SANG WITH, IS OUT OF TOWN, I WILL REMEMBER THE TRI-CHEM MEETINGS AND OUR MONTHLY TRIP TO INDIANAPOLIS. SHE WAS ALWAYS THE LIFE OF THE PARTY. I ALSO REMEMBER THE HALLOWEEN PARTYS. I AM LUCKY TO HAVE HAD HER IN MY LIFE. SHE WAS ALWAYS A VERY BRIGHT SPOT. AFTER I SAW YOU FOLKS AT RAYS VISITATION, I TRIED TO FIND DALES PHONE NUMBER BUT COULD NOT, I WANTED THE ADDRESS WHERE SHE WAS STAYING SO I COULD GO VISIT WITH HER. I WILL NEVER FORGET YVONNE, HER FAMILY AND THE GOOD TIMES WE HAD. SHE WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY THOUGHTS. BLESSING TO ALL HER FAMILY. DARLENE CAMPBELL*

**DARLENE CAMPBELL** - March 12, 2015 at 10:20 AM

LF

“ One of my favorite memories is when she had her tri chem classes at the home in Creve Couer. I got to play with John John while my mom and the ladies had fun laughing. I got a kick out of your Dad when he would tease her and she would just smile then come up with a comeback that had us all laughing. She always remembered my name when I came to visit her later; she touched me with her big smile and caring eyes. She was an Angel visiting with us for a short time and touched everyone she met. Love to your family, Lovina Farden



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**Lovina Farden** - March 10, 2015 at 06:54 PM

JB

“ Jane Bell, Bobbie, Bill, Betty & Becky purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Lorene Yvonne Shurtz.



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**Jane Bell, Bobbie, Bill, Betty & Becky** - March 10, 2015 at 01:12 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lorene Yvonne Shurtz.



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March 10, 2015 at 04:57 AM

KO

“ I had the honor and privilege of getting to know Yvonne while I was employed at Grand View... she loved telling the story of her making the decision on whether or not to grab the baby being born or pulling up the doctors pants that had slipped during the delivery...may she always rest in paradise ?

Katrina Overend - March 09, 2015 at 10:22 PM

NW

“ So sorry to hear of your Mom's passing Susie. Our condolences to you and family.

Nancy Walker - March 09, 2015 at 06:41 PM

DS

“ Gale,Dale,Susie and families--I am sorry to hear of the loss of your Mother. She was a wonderful Christian lady. I have fond memories of her bringing crafts to class when we were in school. Your family is in our prayers. Dave Stiles

David Stiles - March 09, 2015 at 06:36 PM

RM

Dale,Gale,John and families~~~I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I have such fun and wonderful memories of our parents, especially at Yvonne's Me'Tiers. When our mothers were together you could always count on a fun time. Your in my thoughts and prayers...

Roma Miller - March 11, 2015 at 07:13 AM

NW

“ I am so sorry for your loss Susie , Jim and family. My prayers are with you during this time of sorrow. May God send His comforting angels to be with you. Love Nancy Walker and family.

Nancy Walker - March 09, 2015 at 06:19 PM

SA

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Susie Armstrong** - March 09, 2015 at 03:00 PM

MD

“ Ray and Yvonne Shurtz were the first two people I met when I began attending Valley Chapel Church in Green Valley back in 2003. A very loving couple who loved the Lord and loved people. Yvonne and I shared a connection with music as we both sang. I had many opportunities to visit with her and often went out with them to restaurants or to family gatherings. I always felt welcomed and loved. I can't remember a time when Yvonne didn't have a camera with her as she said that was her "ministry". We would be at a restaurant and she would take pictures of people and especially children who would catch her attention. Then, she would ask the people to give her their name and address so she could send the pictures to them. When she did mail the pictures, she would always include a Gospel tract about Jesus and Salvation -- just in case the people were not Christians, she wanted them to know about our loving Lord. Family was also very important to Yvonne and she wanted each of her children to know their heritage so she spent hours on the computer, printing off pictures and "the family tree" so that each child would have a copy of this "book" and could pass it on to their children. There is no doubt in my mind that Yvonne is now present with our Lord and Savior and re-united with her husband, Ray, in Heaven. I thank God that she is no longer in any pain or suffering and that one day, when God calls me home, I will see Yvonne again. I am praying for her family and beloved friends who will miss her greatly and I extend my sympathy to all. I know God will give each of you HIS PEACE and HIS COMFORT. Love, Martha Dunnam, Green Valley, IL

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**Martha Dunnam** - March 09, 2015 at 11:58 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Lorene Yvonne Shurtz.*



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March 09, 2015 at 10:57 AM



“ *Dale, Jon and families--*

*So sorry to hear of your mothers death. I know she will be missed by all. I also know that you have some wonderful memories of her and your father. Both were wonderful people.*



*Jean (Brown) Swan  
Chillicothe, IL*

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**Jean Swan** - March 09, 2015 at 10:49 AM