



Shirley E. Kitchen

April 26, 1936 - March 8, 2021

Shirley E. Kitchen, 84, of Marengo passed away early Monday morning, March 8, 2021, at home surrounded by her family.

She was born April 26, 1936, in Crystal Lake the daughter of Edward and Edna (Kegebein) Pinnow. She married Ross Kitchen on October 27, 1957, in Marengo.

Shirley was an RN her whole life, she touched so many through her years caring for people. She also served many years on the MCHS school board in the '70s and '80s, after the title VIII ruling was passed. She had 4 daughters and many nieces who all played sports, fairness in sports for women was a passion for her. She attended Zion Lutheran grade school and attended Zion Lutheran Church her whole life and she raised her children the same way. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They brought enormous JOY to her life.

She is survived by her children, Micki (Jeffrey) Bush, Jill Kitchen, Susan Carmichael, and Ali (Jim) Limbaugh; grandchildren, Jay (Catherine) Cassel, Adam (Cecelia) Cassel, Maxwell (Katie) Bush, Megan Richardson, Zach (Michelle) Richardson, Molly Richardson, Jessica Carmichael, Jesse (Lauren) Cody, Sam Limbaugh; great-grandchildren, Kiersea, Kaleghia, Kailani, Kenley, Beau Ross, Willa June, Addison, Jaxon, Emerson, Hunter, Lincoln, and

LuEllyn.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Ross, grandson, Andrew Richardson; brother, Norman; and sister, Norene.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, March 12 at 4 PM at Zion Lutheran Church, 412 Jackson St. in Marengo. Burial will follow in the Marengo City Cemetery.

Visitation will be prior to services at the church from 1 to 4 PM. Social distancing and masks will be required.

Memorials in her name may be directed to M.O.R.E. Food Pantry or to the Zion Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

Marengo City Cemetery

101 N. East St.
Marengo, IL 60152

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church
412 Jackson Street
Marengo, IL 60152

Service

MAR 12. 4:00 PM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church
412 Jackson Street
Marengo, IL 60152

Tribute Wall



“ *Shirley E. Kitchen*

January 17, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Micki, Susan, Jill, and Ali your mother was a special person to so many of us. She was not only a wonderful mother-grandmother but a good friend to so many. We first met your mother and Ross through Welcome Wagon. A special moment I will never forget is when I tried to introduce your mother to Norene Dunker. Only to see them laugh and inform me they were sisters. Our relationship with both Shirley and Ross led to many golf and social outings. Shirley served on the high school Board of Education during my employment. She was such an asset to our Board. Her experience as a parent, nurse, and native of Marengo was so beneficial. I am so appreciative of her support of MCHS, the community, and especially my administration. We know there is a new star in heaven and we will miss her dearly. Jerry and Kathy Trickett*

Jerry Trickett - March 10, 2021 at 03:29 PM