



*There's nothing whatever the matter with me.  
I'm just as healthy as I can be.  
I have arthritis in both my knees  
And when I talk, I talk with a wheeze.*

*My pulse is weak and my blood is thin,  
But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.  
I think my liver is out of whack  
And a terrible pain is in my back.*

*My hearing is poor, my sight is dim,  
Most everything seems to be out of trim,  
But I'm awfully well for the shape I'm in.*

*I have arch supports for both my feet,  
Or I wouldn't be able to go on the street.  
Sleeplessness I have night after night,  
And in the morning I'm just a sight.*

*My memory is failing, my head's in a spin,  
I'm peacefully living on aspirin,  
I'm peacefully well for the shape I'm in.*

*The moral is, as this tale we unfold,  
That for you and me who are growing old,  
It's better to say, "I'm fine" with a grin  
Than to let them know that shape we're in.  
-Cardinal Cushing*

IN LOVING  
*Memory*  
Shirley Ann Hellman

**Born to Norbert & Anna Kueffler**  
March 20, 1938 ~ Williston, ND

**Returned to Her Heavenly Father**  
December 3, 2021 ~ Minot, ND

**Her Funeral Mass**

11:00 AM on Saturday, December 11, 2021  
Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Catholic Church  
Stanley, ND

**Officiating**

Father Jason Signalness

**Alter Servers**

Regan Gustafson      Trent Leith

**Pallbearers**

Jacob Hellman      Alex Hellman  
Matthew Ruland      Sam Hellman  
Matt Tackett      David Hellman  
James Hellman

**Beloved Honorary Pallbearers**

Phillip Ruland      Jimmy Hellman      Michael Croteau

**Lectors**

Barb Meiers      Kelly Gustavson

**Accompanists & Vocalists**

Elonda Davidson      Betty Leith

**Final Resting Place**

11:00AM on Monday, December 13, 2021  
St. Mary's Cemetery ~ Bismarck, ND

**Arrangements By**

Springan Stevenson Funeral Home  
Stanley, ND



*In Loving*  
M E M O R Y

**Shirley Ann Hellman**

March 20, 1938 - December 3, 2021



*Most holy Apostle, Saint Jude, friend of Jesus, I place myself in your care at this difficult time. Pray for me; help me remember that I need not face my troubles alone. Please join me in my need, asking God to send me consolation in my sorrow, courage in my fear, and healing in the midst of my suffering.*



Shirley was born on March 20, 1938 in Williston, ND to Norbert and Anna Kueffler. She was one of thirteen children. She grew up on the family farm by Grenora, ND. Shirley thoroughly enjoyed taking strolls in the open fields. After she attended school in Grenora, ND she moved to Williston, ND and worked several jobs. One being writing a column for the Williston Herald, which she enjoyed.

She later moved to Bismarck, ND where she attended Capital Commercial College. This is where she met the love of her life, Lawrence Hellman. They married on October 25, 1958 in Grenora, ND at St. Boniface Church. They had four children, Eugene (Joni), Diane, Kathy (Phillip), and Wayne. The family enjoyed going on trips and traveling to various places to visit all the extended family they had, and loved the time they got to spend with everyone. They made their home in Bismarck, ND until Lawrence's passing in August of 1985.

Shirley found her calling as a caregiver for the children of Dr. Laslo Kolta and Dr. Katie Tihanyi. She cared for Christopher, Daniel, and Nicholas for 22 years before moving back home to North Dakota to be close to family. She started working with her daughters Diane and Kathy and granddaughter Sarah at Kids Korner Daycare, where she became widely known as "Rocking Grandma" to all the kids they cared for.

Shirley was a devout Catholic and found great comfort in God through daily prayer and the Rosary, and her patron Saint, St. Jude. Shirley's favorite things in life included; her drop in visits with family and Fr. Jason, home health ladies and those who brought her communion. She loved when her son Wayne stayed with her part of every week to work in town, and needed hugs from her "Baby" when he came and left.



The Hallmark station became her solace in life, especially the "Royal" movies. She loved reading her Harlequin books, working on puzzles with Diane and Sarah, visiting over phone with her brothers and sisters, and her time with Nicholas when he visited several times a year.

Shirley was an all-family person; she enjoyed most in life the time she was surrounded by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was the center of the get togethers and made sure everyone met up for birthdays and spent every Christmas together playing games, eating good food, and catching up.

Shirley is survived by her children, Eugene (Joni), Diane, Kathy, Wayne; grandchildren, Jacob, Alex, Sarah, Matthew (Abbey), Sam, Riley (Matt); great-grandchildren, Cora, Sloan, Leo and Everly; brothers, Leo (Marilyn), Clarence (Lorraine), Larry (Darlene), Phil (Val), Rick (Jayne), Tony (Tammy); sisters, Marie, Betty, and Helen; sister-in-law, Bonnie and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.

Shirley is preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence; parents, Norbert and Anna; brothers, Lawrence and Darrel; sister, Ann; grandchildren, Jimmy and Michael; son-in-law, Phillip; brothers-in-law, Art, Dave, Verlin, and Elmer.