



Shirley Ann Summers

August 15, 1946 - January 23, 2026

MADISON – Memorial service for Shirley Ann Summers, 79 of Madison, will be held at 11:00 AM Thursday, January 29, 2026 at Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk. Officiating the service will be Pastor Caitlin Bentzinger. The service will be livestreamed on Stonacek Funeral Chapel website at <https://www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com/obituaries/shirley-summers-3/#!/PhotosVideos>. Private family burial will take place at a later date at Crown Hill Cemetery rural Madison. Visitation will be 9:00-11:00 a.m., prior to the service on Thursday. Shirley died on Friday, January 23, 2026 at the Bryan West Hospital in Lincoln, NE. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Shirley was born August 15, 1946, in Portland, Oregon, to Otto and Adelyn (Severa) Schulz. She graduated from Battle Creek High School in 1964 and married Ronald Summers on December 13, 1964, at the United Methodist Church in Madison. Ronald preceded her in death in 2013.

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Shirley and Ron lived in Norfolk, Ewing, and Madison. She worked various jobs before they purchased and operated the Ponderosa Bar for more than 15 years, where they made many lifelong friends. After selling the Ponderosa,

Shirley owned and operated a laundromat and later worked at the local school and nursing home. She spent much of her life in service and caregiving roles. Shirley enjoyed antiques, cookbooks, and garage sales in search of “treasures.” She took great pride in her garden and flowers. Her greatest joy was her family, whom she loved helping whenever she could.

Shirley is survived by her children, Dave Summers (Alayna Smith) of Orlando, Florida, and Denise Summers (Russ Kerner) of Lincoln, Nebraska; siblings Ray (Judy) Schulz of Atkinson, Nebraska, Shari (Cloyde) Louk of Weston, Missouri, Sandy (Allen) Hake of Creston, Nebraska, Rich (Julie) Schulz of Albion, Nebraska, Shar (Luke) Beiermann of Madison, Nebraska, and Sharilyn (James) Heller of Norfolk, Nebraska; Uncle Duffy (Shirley) Severa of Fremont, Nebraska; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Ronald, parents Otto and Adelyn, brother Bob Schulz, brother-in-law James Heller, and several aunts and uncles.

Condolences can be expressed to the family online at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

rural Madison, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **29**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Stonacek Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Shirley Ann Summers*



Stonacek Funeral Chapel - January 29 at 11:52 AM

JS

“ *May the cherished memories of Shirley bring you comfort in this time of sorrow. Our deepest sympathies for Aunt Shirley's family. With Love from, Jim, Jayne, Joe, Judy and Jeanne Summers and families*

Judy Summers - January 29 at 12:55 PM

NR

“ *Nick, Nici, & Rachel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Ann Summers.*

Nick, Nici, & Rachel - January 26 at 05:00 PM

NR

“ *Nick, Nici, & Rachel purchased the Serene Retre at for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.*



Nick, Nici, & Rachel - January 26 at 05:00 PM

SS

“ Sheldon S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Ann Summers.

Sheldon S. - January 26 at 02:03 PM

KK

“ Kelly, Adam & Kyle purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.



Kelly, Adam & Kyle - January 26 at 12:30 PM

MF

“ Mjus F. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Ann Summers.

Mjus F. - January 26 at 10:20 AM

CC

“ Caitlin & Cooper planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Ann Summers.

Caitlin & Cooper - January 25 at 11:47 PM

CC

“ *Caitlin & Cooper purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.*



Caitlin & Cooper - January 25 at 11:47 PM

TF

“ *The Brunzman Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.*



The Brunzman Family - January 25 at 10:43 AM

SH

“ *We shall miss you so very much Sis. Your fabulous desserts, your joy in finding an antique treasure and your love for family will be our memories of you plus most of all you having inherited Dad's wonderful smile.*

Shari - January 25 at 12:35 AM

CF

“ *Carson family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Ann Summers.*

Carson family - January 24 at 11:47 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.



January 24 at 11:47 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray* was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Summers.



January 23 at 05:09 PM