



Shirley Shand Kent

April 27, 1923 - February 7, 2013

Shirley Kent went to be with her Lord and Savior on February 7th 2013. She was born on April 27th 1923 in Manti, Utah to Robert Clyde and Grace Shand. She was preceded in death by both her parents, her husband Joseph Russ Kent, her sister Norma Villalobos, her son Dennis Russ Kent and daughters Shirley Jean Kent and Barbara Fillingim.

She is survived by her daughter Linda Greene and her husband Mark, her son Robert Kent, son-in-law Wayne Fillingim, 10 grandchildren, Connie Floyd, Tammy Wheeler and her husband Matt, Fillingim and his wife Vanessa, Amanda Duboise and her husband Chris, Micheal Kent, Kristie Kent, Tim Greene, David Greene, Rebekah Greene, and Paul Greene and his wife Lacy, 11 great grandchildren, Abby Floyd, Andrew Floyd, Kyler Bussell, Kaden Martin, Justin Greene, Matt Green, T.J. Green, Ryan Fillingim, Hannah Wheeler, Ashlyn Wheeler, and Lauren Wheeler.

Shirley loved kitty cats, African violets, iris and studying God's Word. She worked in the main office of Furrs Inc. in Lubbock, TX for 24 years. When she retired she immediately went to work as a full time volunteer for Exodus Prison Ministries where she did bible correspondence for 14 years. She moved to Midland in 2007 and immediately signed up as a volunteer with True Power Fellowship, another prison bible study ministry with First Baptist Church in Midland.

Shirley was a member of the African Violet club in Midland. She loved having an indoor garden. She was a water color artist and a member of the West

Texas Water Color Society in Lubbock, TX. Her family enjoys many of her beautiful paintings. She taught us to see beauty in a flower even if it was wild in the yard. Iris were her favorite. She had an artist's eye and was thankful for the beauty God created. Some of her great grandchildren are starting to show their inherited artistic abilities in their Crayola and marker masterpieces. She loved her kind and loving grandkids with all her heart. She loved hearing about the talents of the great grandchildren. Those talents included singing, acting, dancing, running marathons, sports and marching band concerts. Shirley was a member of the Myrtle Sunday School dep't and former member of the Dorcas Sunday School dep't, both at First Baptist Church in Midland, TX. Her greatest joy was knowing that her family knew Jesus Christ.

A memorial service will be held Friday Feb. 15th 2013 at 2:00 PM in the parlor at First Baptist church in Midland, TX with Pastor David Johnson presiding. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to True Power prison ministry at First Baptist Church in Midland, TX., Exodus Prison Ministries in Lubbock, TX or Gideon's International.

Tribute Wall

AH

“ Dear Linda, I am so sorry to read of your mother's passing. I so enjoyed doing her hair and visiting with her. She will be missed. With many thoughts, Ann Hathaway

Ann Hathaway - February 12, 2013 at 07:56 PM

MP

“ Dear Linda & family, I emphathize in the loss of your sweet mother & grandmother! Please know you are in our prayers in the days to come.

Marquita Potter

marquita potter - February 11, 2013 at 02:00 PM

MC

“ I'm so grateful for the time I got to spend with Shirley because of her love of African violets. No matter the program or task that came up at the WTAVS meetings, she was there with a delightful curiosity, bright eyes and a willing spirit. I'm going to miss her, but what a privilege to have known her! My love and prayers go to her family at this sad time.

Marla Cooper - February 11, 2013 at 06:58 AM