



Shirley Moats

October 23, 1937 - December 27, 2025

Shirley Moats, 88, of Iowa Falls, passed away Saturday, December 27, 2025 at Hansen Family Hospital. Funeral services will be 1:30 PM Friday, January 2, 2026 at the Woodley Funeral Home in Iowa Falls with visitation one hour prior. She will be laid to rest at the Northlawn Memory Gardens following the service. Woodley Funeral Home of Iowa Falls is caring for Shirley and her family.

Shirley Ann Moats was born on October 23, 1937 to Fred and Viola (Chaplin) Knott in Hardin County, Iowa. Shirley graduated from Iowa Falls High School. She had a 68-year career as an accountant at various companies, with the last 30 years spent at Plastic Recycling of Iowa Falls and recently retired in December 2025.

On April 22, 1956 Shirley was united in marriage to Jesse Hanson at the Iowa Falls Methodist Church. They later divorced. In March of 1978 Shirley married Millard "Gene" Moats in Austin, Minnesota. Gene brings three children to the family, Todd (Melinda) Moats of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Kirk (Patty) Moats of Jacksonville, Florida and Kim (Emilio) Zapada of Tama, Iowa.

Shirley enjoyed reading, traveling, camping and fishing along with listening to Johnny Cash and Alan Jackson music. She was a great baker and cook. Her chocolate chip cookies, homemade pies, funnel cakes and noodles were a

few of the family favorites. Her greatest joy was visiting with her family and friends. She definitely had a bounce in her step to get to the front door and hug her grandchildren when they came to visit.

Shirley will be greatly missed by her husband, Millard "Gene" Moats of Iowa Falls, Iowa; children, Gary Lynn Hanson of Hastings, Minnesota, Terry Lee (Teresa) Hanson of Iowa Falls, Iowa, Randall Paul (Wendy) Hanson of Aplington, Iowa and Vincent Lee Hanson of Iowa Falls, Iowa; 22 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren, including one on the way. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Viola Knott; in-laws, Millard and Etta Moats and Arden and Ellen Braga; brothers, Lloyd and Marlyn Knott and great-grandchild, Sayler Jahner.

Cemetery Details

Northlawn Memory Gardens

Iowa Falls, IA 50126

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Iowa Falls - Woodley Funeral Home
516 S. Oak Street
Iowa Falls, IA 50126
(641) 648-7700

Service

JAN 2. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TF

“ Todd Moats & Family purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Shirley Moats.



Todd Moats & Family - January 01 at 05:24 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Shirley Moats.



December 31, 2025 at 10:08 AM

HF

“ Hoffman Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Moats.

Hoffman Family - December 31, 2025 at 10:08 AM

LL

“ Love Kirk, Patty, Derrick, and Lindsy purchased the *Medium Dish Garden* for the family of Shirley Moats.



Love Kirk, Patty, Derrick, and Lindsy - December 31, 2025 at 07:54 AM

FF

“ *FirstFleet Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Shirley Moats.*



FirstFleet Family - December 30, 2025 at 04:34 PM



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



December 30, 2025 at 11:46 AM

YP

“ *Your friends and family at PBP planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Moats.*

Your friends and family at PBP - December 30, 2025 at 11:46 AM

SH

“ *Sharon Brown Harris purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Shirley Moats.*



Sharon Brown Harris - December 29, 2025 at 06:39 PM

SH

“ Sharon Brown Harris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Moats.

Sharon Brown Harris - December 29, 2025 at 06:39 PM

LF

“ Lindi Strobel & Family Bev Radis & Family Brad Foster & Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Shirley Moats.



Lindi Strobel & Family Bev Radis & Family Brad Foster & Family - December 29, 2025 at 06:06 PM