



Shirley Ann Nolan

April 28, 1944 - September 7, 2018

Surrounded by family, Shirley Ann (Krull) Nolan, 74, of Sault Ste. Marie, MI went to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on September 7th, 2018.

The eldest of 13 children, Shirley was born April 28th, 1944 to Bernard and Loretta (Germain) Krull. On January 26th, 1963, Shirley "Guno" married John "Muggo" Nolan. She and John raised eight children, and she was the proud "Grams" of 22 beloved grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Shirley was a once in a lifetime kind of person. She was exquisitely, beautifully human. To know her was to love her. She had a way of embracing all of her quirks and vulnerabilities, and in doing so freed others to be exactly who they were around her. Shirley had a special way of making everyone feel as though they were the most important person in the world. Everyone was her "babes" and her "son." Under her spirited and feisty nature was a heart of gold, a champion for the underdog. She never met a stranger.

Shirley loved rummy sales and visiting with family and friends. She loved fancy dresses and good conversation - especially good conversation! She danced with her plants. She loved her coffee. Most of all, best of all, she loved her family. Shirley was a gift giver, both the tangible kind; trinkets, jewelry, clothes, toys, and the intangible, more meaningful kind; time, laughter, hilarious antics. She gifted us with adventures and stories to last a lifetime. Her strength and bravery taught us how to be strong and brave. Her unconditional love and acceptance taught us how to love. She gave so fully of herself and in doing so taught us all how to live.

Shirley was preceded in death by her mother and father, Loretta and Bernard Krull, sisters, Diane Krull and Tina Laaksonen, and daughter, Vanda Nolan. She is survived by her husband, John Nolan, children; Tammy Nolan, Diane (Thomas) Captain, Debra (Ken) McDonald, Frank (Mita) Nolan, John (Teresa) Nolan, Yolanda (Claude) Petitpas, and Will (Katie) Nolan, brothers; Bernard "Manny" Krull, Donald Krull, Michael Krull, and Ronald Krull, sisters; Betty Freiheit, Margaret Lane, Wanda Marble, Barbara Parr, Terry Perry, and Bernadine Whiteman, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, in-laws, nieces, nephews, extended family and dear friends. Shirley's spirit and stories will live on in the many lives she touched.

A visitation will be held Wednesday, September 12th, 2018 from 4 PM to 7 PM at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held Thursday, September 13th, 2018 at 1 PM at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, with Brother John S. Hascall officiating. Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery with a dinner to follow at the Niigaanagiizhik Cultural Building.

Donations in memory of Shirley can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for the passing of your loved one...let your memories give you some comfort

Donna Ellis - September 11, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Thinking of you all. I have so many fond memories of Shirley and the rest of the Nolan-Krull family. I hope all your memories bring back your smiles. Love to You All.

Christina Parr - September 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ My Mom has known Shirley since the 70's. They went to many Alanon meetings together. It had been about a year, since I had seen Shirley. Good 'ol Shirley asked how Mom was doing 😊 She said, your Mom didn't do much, but enjoyed our Alanon meetings. She just melted my heart ❤️, and Mom's too. You will be Missed, but not forgotten. Another Lovely Angel in Heaven 😊 Love and Blessings Nolan Families 💕

Brenda Perry - September 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM