



Shirlee A. Klinger

July 24, 1923 - August 4, 2025

Shirlee Klinger, age 102, passed away peacefully, leaving behind a legacy of love, strength, and warmth that spanned more than a century—a life marked by resilience, joy, and a spirit that touched everyone she met.

Born in 1923 in Chicago, Shirlee lived through a century of change with grace. She shared a long and loving marriage with her husband, John, and together they built a life rooted in love, laughter, and strong family ties.

Shirlee was a guiding presence in her family—a source of comfort and support. She moved through life with quiet strength, humor, and grace. Known for her calm demeanor and thoughtful nature, she was a vivid storyteller, a teacher, and a steady hand. She made each grandchild and great-grandchild feel valued, passing down lessons of patience, kindness, and appreciation for life's simple moments.

Her home was the heart of the family, a place of warmth, tradition, and connection, especially during the holidays.

Shirlee was the wife of John Klinger and mother to Karen Salley and Jack Klinger. She was a loving grandmother to Kim Klinger, John Klinger, Roy Salley, Shaun Salley, and Colleen Salley, and an aunt to many nieces and nephews.

Family was at the center of Shirlee's life. Her care extended beyond her immediate family to include great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and all who were welcomed into her life.

In her later years, Shirlee enjoyed word puzzles, card games, and conversation. Her kindness, wit, and presence left a lasting impact on all who knew her. Burns Funeral Home, Crown Point entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com.

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