



Shirley Charlene Lewis

July 31, 1937 - May 3, 2026

Princeton - Shirley Charlene "Stub" Lewis passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 3, 2026, at Liberty Village/Manor Court in Princeton, Illinois.

Shirley aka Stub was born in Tiskilwa, Illinois, to the late Albert and Agnes (Morris) Opsal. She was a proud graduate of Princeton High School, Class of 1955. On June 16, 1956, she married the love of her life, Homer F. "Fred" Lewis, in Princeton, where they built a life centered on family and community.

Shirley dedicated many years to her work, first as an operator at GTE for 10 years, and later at Harper Wyman, where she worked for 20 years before retiring.

She found joy in life's simple pleasures-golfing, bowling, dancing (which she fondly called "boot kicking"), tending to her flower gardens, and hunting for treasures at garage sales. Above all, Shirley cherished time spent with her grandchildren, creating unforgettable memories that will be treasured for generations.

Survived by her children: Sherie (Barry) Portman of Princeton, IL; Dan Lewis of Princeton, IL; and Tim (Annie) Lewis of Princeton, IL. She also leaves behind her beloved grandchildren: Jeremie Carlson, Blake, Tim, Tony, Dominic, Nicky, and Alex Lewis, all of Princeton, IL; Sara Portman of St. Louis;

and Ben Lewis of Pennsylvania.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Fred Lewis, brother Albert Jr, sister Patricia Becker, beloved grandson Jude Gerard Lewis, nieces Brenda Harris and Charlene Jaggars.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association of Illinois.

Visitation will be held on Friday, May 8, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments in Princeton.

Funeral services will follow at 12:00 p.m. at the funeral home, with graveside services at Elm Lawn Cemetery in Princeton. Deacon John Murphy to officiate.

Pallbearers will be Jeremie Carlson, Blake Lewis, Ben Lewis, Tim Lewis, Tony Lewis, and Dominic Lewis. Barry Portman will serve as an honorary pallbearer.

Online condolences may be directed to www.norbergfh.com

Arrangement by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments.

Cemetery Details

Elm Lawn Memorial Park

N Knox St.
Princeton, IL 61356

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Norberg Memorial Home, Inc.
701 E. Thompson Street
Princeton, IL 61356

Funeral Service

MAY 8. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Norberg Memorial Home, Inc.
701 E. Thompson Street
Princeton, IL 61356

Graveside Service

MAY 8. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Elm Lawn Memorial Park
North Knox Street
Princeton, IL 61356

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Shirley Charlene Lewis.*



May 06 at 10:09 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Shirley Charlene Lewis.

May 06 at 10:09 AM

TB

“ To our beautiful mother, cherished mother-in-law, and deeply loved Grandma—



There aren't enough words to hold the love you gave so freely. You didn't just love your family—you poured your heart into us, into every hug, every conversation, every moment you made feel safe and warm. Your love was fierce, selfless, and constant—the kind that wrapped around us and made everything feel right in the world.

As a mother, you were our foundation, our strength, and our guiding light. As a mother-in-law, you gave acceptance, kindness, and a place where we always belonged. And as a Grandma, you were pure magic—your laughter, your stories, your gentle hands and big heart created a bond that will never fade.

You loved your family and your grandchildren with a passion that could be felt in every room, in every smile, in every memory we now hold so close. That love didn't end—it lives on in us, in how we care for one another, in how we carry your spirit forward every single day.

We miss you deeply, love you endlessly, and thank you for a lifetime of love that will never fade. You are forever in our hearts. 🧡

Timothy and Anna Lewis and Boys - May 06 at 08:39 AM

MM

“ Matthew McCullough purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Shirley Charlene Lewis.



Matthew McCullough - May 05 at 08:07 PM

BK

“ Bill, Sheila, Brandon, and Kari purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Shirley Charlene Lewis.



Bill, Sheila, Brandon, and Kari - May 05 at 05:51 PM

BK

“ Bill, Sheila, Brandon, and Kari planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Charlene Lewis.

Bill, Sheila, Brandon, and Kari - May 05 at 05:51 PM

BA

“ Condolences to the family



Barry - May 05 at 04:38 PM

DM

“ Denise Morris purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Shirley Charlene Lewis.



Denise Morris - May 05 at 02:16 PM

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“ Denise Morris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Shirley Charlene Lewis.

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