



## Shirley Boyack

June 27, 1929 - August 14, 2016

Shirley Christensen Boyack was born June 27, 1929 in the home of her family farm in Ovid Idaho, to Agnes Burgetta Olsen and Frank Melvin Christensen. She passed away peacefully in her home on August 14, 2016. She grew up in Grace, Idaho and along with her siblings learned the value of hard work as she helped run the family farm. She often spoke of helping her father plow the field, gathering eggs for her mother, and riding her horse to school.

Shirley attended LDS Business College, living in a small downtown apartment with her friend Dorothy. It was at LDS Business College that she met and married Sam Boyack. They would spend the next 63 years by each other's side.

Her favorite thing was her road trips with her husband. They loved to go camping all over Southern Utah, and as they got older they took many trips to Wendover and Laughlin, always with coupons to get free rooms and meals. Shirley loved being active and made many dear friends through all of her swimming classes. She also loved to play Bunco with her neighborhood club and cherished her friendships with those women. Shirley was a good neighbor and friend to everyone, someone to whom kindness came so easily. She struggled with heartache after the passing of her best friend Barbara Martines, with whom she shared a long friendship when their six-year-old daughters became friends. She cherished her family and time spent with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was lovingly known as 'grandma with the farm' and gave her grandchildren so many good memories of sleepovers, swimming, sewing, and cooking.

Shirley is survived by her adoring husband Sam, brother Glayd (Helen), sister Zan (Grant - deceased), her children Jan (Doug) and Clay, grandchildren Brittney (John) Darby (Rob) and Beau, and her great grandchildren Madison and William. Shirley is preceded in death by her brother Barry Christensen and by her parents Burgetta and Melvin.

Shirley was especially loved by her special-needs grandson Beau and the friends at his activity program, Friends Clubhouse. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the

Friends Clubhouse to help with activities for their participants - 1104 East Diamond Way,  
Sandy UT 84094

Shirley's family would like to thank Heather, Marley, and Carrie from Rocky Mountain  
Hospice for their care, compassion and love.

Graveside Services will be held on Friday, August 19th, at 11am, at Larkin Sunset  
Gardens, 1950 E. Dimple Dell Road (10600 S.) Sandy, UT.

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary.

# Cemetery

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## Larkin Sunset Gardens

1950 East 10600 South  
Sandy, UT, 84092

# Events

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**AUG** **Graveside Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Larkin Sunset Gardens  
1950 East 10600 South, Sandy, UT, US, 84092

# Comments

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“ Clay was my best friend growing up. Shirley was so kind and always made you feel welcome and at home. I have so many warm memories of her from my youth. Clay please extend our deepest sympathies to your family. Trude and I are so sad to hear of her passing.

**Tim & Trude Snyder** - August 18, 2016 at 09:57 PM

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“ Shirley has always been such a great neighbor and helpful friend to my family. She has always been there for my Mom (Janet Parker). Wishing Sam, Jan and my old friend Clay comfort. Love, Jan Sandgren

**Jan Sandgren** - August 18, 2016 at 01:41 PM

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“ Oh, how we have cherished our many visits with Shirley and Sam. Our friendship has grown so close over the years. We always felt welcome in their home and love them both so dearly. May Sam, Jan and Clay feel divine comfort and may they be lifted to great joy and happiness together. Love, Perry and Julie

**Perry and Julie Frandsen** - August 17, 2016 at 10:19 PM



“ I feel so lucky to have known Shirley through my friendship with Sam when we both worked for Chicago Bridge and Iron for 35 years. She was always by Sams side. If I ran into Sam away from the plant Shirley was there with him. She was a good mate for Sam. They were a couple that made me feel comfortable being around. She always seemed interested in what me and Sam had to say about our times at the Bridge. She will be missed but never forgotten.

Noel and Darlene Anderson

**Noel Anderson** - August 18, 2016 at 05:07 PM