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Seneca, KS

Shirley Kathleen Litke Ten Eyck, 82, of Seneca, Kansas died Friday, April 5, 2019 at Nemaha Valley Community Hospital.

Shirley was born on a farm approximately 5 miles east of Alta Vista near the north Pole Country School to John and Minnie Reinking Litke on August 31, 1936.

At the age of 6 she began 1st grade at the South Pole School District. When she was in the 3rd grade they moved to the Beman School District. In July of 1952 she was confirmed into the Lutheran Faith at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Alta Vista, Kansas. She graduated from Alta Vista High School in June of 1954.

On November 21, 1954 Shirley was united in marriage with Eldon R. Ten Eyck at St. Paul's Lutheran church in Alta Vista. Eldon was in the United States Air Force at the time of his marriage. Their first son Ricky was born August 19, 1955 at Ft Riley Hospital. Randy was born at Cannon AFB Hospital in New Mexico on the 19th of November 1957.

In 1958 Eldon was sent to Lahore, Pakistan for duty. The family went to stay in Alta Vista during this time. In 1960 Eldon returned from Pakistan and sent to McClellan AFB, in California. Ronald was born in Citrus Heights, California on October 12, 1963.

In November of 1968, Eldon and his family were shipped to Richmond AFB in Australia. In 1971 the family returned to the United States and was stationed at Forbes Air Force Base in Topeka. Eldon Retired from the Air Force and moved his family to Seneca in July of 1973 where he was employed for Ray Hunninghake Appliance.

Shirley is survived by her husband Eldon and her sons, Rickey (Peggy) Ten Eyck of Lancaster, California, Randy (Linda) Ten Eyck of Wamego and Ronnie Ten Eyck of Seneca. A brother John Litke of Biloxi, Mississippi, 7 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be on Sunday, April 7, 2019, from 1 to 3 P.M. at the at the Lauer Funeral Home in Seneca. Funeral services will be 10:00 AM, Monday, March 8, 2019 at the Lauer Funeral Home in Seneca. The burial will be in the Alta Vista Cemetery around noon on Monday.

Memorials can be given in Shirley's memory to Nemaha County Training Center in Seneca and sent in care of the family.

Lauer Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. To express your sympathy and for more information visit www.lauerfuneralhome.com.