

**MEMORIAL SERVICE
Of
SHIRLEY JEAN BULLER**

Bethesda Mennonite Church
Henderson, Nebraska
Wednesday, October 22, 2025

COMMITTAL SERVICE 1:15 p.m.

Bethesda Mennonite Church Cemetery

Scripture Reading Pastor Chelsea Vaught
Psalm 46:1-2; Psalm 27:1, 4; Psalm 62:5-8; Romans 5:1-5

Committal Prayer & Family Blessing Pastor Chelsea Vaught

Casket Bearers

Jonathan Regier	Jordan Regier	Blake Buhrman
Jameson Brettmann		Jackson Brettmann
Zach Richert		Avery Franz

MEMORIAL SERVICE 2:00 p.m.

Prelude	Laura Steingard, Organist
Call to Worship & Prayer	Pastor Chelsea Vaught
"I Know that my Redeemer lives"	HWB 277
Celebration of Life	Carlin Buhrman and Jordan Regier
"When Tomorrow Starts without Me"	read by Jonathan Regier
Scripture Reading: Psalm 121, Micah 6:6-8	Pastor Chelsea Vaught
Message	Pastor Chelsea Vaught
"When peace, like a river"	HWB 336
Invitation to Lunch	Pastor Chelsea Vaught
Benediction	Pastor Chelsea Vaught
"The Holy City"	Laura Steingard
Postlude	Laura Steingard

MEMORIALS may be directed to Bethesda Mennonite Church or Mennonite Central Committee.

THE FAMILY IS GRATEFUL for the love and support demonstrated by your presence today and invites you to a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall following the Memorial Service.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Shirley Jean Buller, age 89 died peacefully Saturday, October 11 at Legacy Square in Henderson. Shirley was born January 30, 1936 to Jake and Mathilda (Janzen) Penner and was the 2nd of 4 children. She was brought up in the Bethesda Mennonite Church, accepted Jesus as her savior as a child, and was baptized in 1953. She told us, "I remember riding my bike on a country road, looking up into the heavens and asking Jesus into my heart." She said Jesus was always faithful to her.

Shirley graduated from Henderson High School in 1954, and on June 11, 1954 she married Donald A. Buller. They were blessed with 3 daughters: Teresa, Libby, and Karen. After the wedding, Shirley went to live with Don in Denver, Colorado where Don was completing 1-W service. She worked in Central Supply a few months, and then at her request was able to work in her desired position as a nurses' aid. Being a nurse had been a dream of hers.

After moving back to Henderson, they farmed a few years before moving back to town. They lived in Henderson for 16 years, before moving to Stromsburg when Don became the hospital administrator in Osceola, Nebraska. During the Henderson years they enjoyed close friendships in church and times with family. The girls grew and the family enjoyed happy times.

Moving to Stromsburg was also a good experience. Don and Shirley made good friends that they continued to enjoy after they moved back to Henderson in retirement. Shirley continued to meet regularly with those Stromsburg friends for years after Don's death. All 3 girls graduated from Stromsburg High School.

After moving back to Henderson, Don and Shirley worked together on the MCC Priced Foods Committee for 10 years. They were glad they could contribute to the work of MCC.

Music was always important to Shirley. She enjoyed singing in the choir, participating in women's ensembles, and listening to good classical music. Her grandchildren were also very important and she loved attending all of their activities —music programs, sporting events, and theatre events.

In later years, Don and Shirley enjoyed traveling by themselves and with friends. They especially enjoyed trips to Hawaii, Mexico, and to the east and west coasts. They enjoyed visiting their daughter's family in India and in British Columbia.

Shirley was always there for her girls — helping them with moving and support after the grand babies were born. Her marriage to Don was a happy one and the girls experienced a happy and secure home. Life for Shirley was good, and she took life as it came, looking for the positive in everything. Her girls found her easy to talk to when they were growing up, and she was a caring mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She was also a good friend to others and enjoyed visiting and meeting new people. Shirley prayed daily for her entire family, and those prayers will be missed!

The loss of Shirley's husband Don in 2014, was difficult. They had a long loving relationship and now finally are reunited.

Left to cherish her memories are her daughters and their spouses: Teresa and Dale Regier of Abbotsford, British Columbia; Libby and Scott Brettmann of Fremont, Nebraska; Karen and Mark Dick of Henderson, Nebraska; grandchildren Carlin and husband Blake Buhrman, Jonathan Regier, and Jordan and wife Sarah Regier, Shelby, Jameson, and Jackson Brettmann, MacKenzie and husband Zach Richert, and Mikaelyn and husband Avery Franz; great grandchildren Reece and Landry Buhrman, Braelyn and Berkley Richert, and Baker Franz. She is also survived by her brother and sisters: Lauren Penner, JoAnn and husband Dale Buller, and Berdine Buller, as well as many nieces and nephews. Also surviving are sister and brother-in-laws: Carolyn Buller, Donna and Randy Ratzlaff, and Leroy and Connie Trautman.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; sister-in-law, Twila Penner and brother-in-laws, Lee Buller and Glen Buller.



In Loving Memory

Shirley Jean Buller

January 30, 1936 – October 11, 2025

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