



Shirley M. Knisely

June 17, 1949 - March 24, 2023

Shirley M. Knisely, 73, of Sheaffers Valley Road, Landisburg, passed away on March 24, 2023, surrounded by her family. Though her death was unexpected, it was peaceful and quiet.

Born July 17, 1949, in Carlisle, she was the daughter of the late Penrose and Pearl Morrison.

She worked for many years in the kitchen of the Perry County Prison where she was known as “Granny”.

Everyone who knew Shirley knew that she was a great cook and was famous for her coleslaw.

She and her husband, the love of her life, Glenn E. “Chicken” Knisely, owned and operated Laurel Run Lodge known as “Chicks” for 45 years.

She never had a bad word to say about anyone. She was gregarious, welcoming and always willing to help someone in need.

She was happiest when she was surrounded by her family and friends. She had a passion for thoroughbred horses which she raised on the very same farm on which she was born and lived her entire life. She will be missed and remembered fondly by all who had the good fortune of knowing her.

Surviving are two sons, Eugene Knisely of Landisburg and Lamont Brownawell and wife Mary Ann of Elliottsburg. A daughter Tanya Warner and husband Jim of Bloserville. 4 grandchildren and 2 brand new great

grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was also like a mother to many in her lifetime. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a brother Frank Morrison.

A celebration of her life will be scheduled and announced at a later date. The Boyer Family is honored to handle the arrangements or the Knisely Family

Tribute Wall

JD

“ Jennifer D Duff lit a candle in memory of Shirley M. Knisely



Jennifer D Duff - April 20 at 11:20 AM

JD

“ My husband Ralph and I were just talking about how much we loved Shirley, and I googled her name, and here we are. Our hearts sank learning of her passing. She was one of our favorite people. Everything written about her on this obituary and tribute wall are absolutely true. I wish we had kept in touch with her. She was an amazing woman, and we feel blessed to have known her.

Jennifer D Duff - April 20 at 11:16 AM

MG

“ Well, where do I start? Shirley was like my 2nd mom. She helped raise us boys from Schaeffer's Valley, raised us like her own. She fed us when we were hungry, loved us when we were down, and scolded us a time or two...just because she knew we were up to no good. She introduced me to horse racing, tagged along to the race track, and shared many a evening with her admiring her eye for a good horse. She always wanted to talk, find out about your day, without ever asking for anything. Shirley, you will be missing by everyone that you touched. I just know that your in Heaven with Chicken, singing along to a country song with a great fiddle player by your side.....Love you.

Matthew Goodling - April 20, 2023 at 01:05 PM

AN

“ Worked for Shirley and Chick for 10 years wonderful bosses will miss her

annette - April 01, 2023 at 02:51 PM

BO

“ I met Miss Shirley several years ago at the restaurant and she immediately wrapped me in her arms and made me feel like her own family..she always said hello to me no matter what she was doing I feel blessed to have known her.Blessings to the family and my prayers are with you.

BonitaWalter - March 31, 2023 at 06:32 PM

TM

“ Kenny and I enjoyed going down for breakfast in the morning. She would come out of the kitchen and say good morning. Kenny would love to make her laugh because she had a great laugh. It is a laugh that I will never forget. I can say my favorite meal would have been her homemade macaroni and cheese and the haddock and stewed tomatoes. It was the best. But she was so much more than just cooking.

Tammy Moyer - March 31, 2023 at 05:36 PM

NW

“ So many memories and good times with Shirl and Chick at Laurel Run. Missing you both. Turning a page ...

Neil Wingenroth - March 31, 2023 at 01:40 PM

TB

Shirley will be greatly missed. Alot of fond memories of "Chick"and Shirley, the bar, the get togethers.They we're a strong family, and Shirley never had a bad word about anyone! Deeply missed! The Bupp Family

Terri Bupp - March 31, 2023 at 07:56 PM

CB

“ Ive known Shirley for many years! She was wonderful! She will truly be missed by all! Thinking of family!

Cindy Bowman - March 31, 2023 at 09:07 AM