

Shirley Ann Burch, daughter of Calvin E. (1904-1979) and Doris (Garlow) (1909-1985) Burch, was born 23 March 1936, Okemos, Ingham County, Michigan. She graduated from Okemos High School in 1954. On 24 April 1954 she married Roy Eugene Klotz. Roy, born 8 July 1932, attended Okemos High with the class of 1947. He did not graduate.

Lansing State Journal (Lansing, Michigan) Sunday 21 September 1952

KLOTZ - Pvt. Roy E. Klotz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Klotz, of R. 3, Mason, now is serving with the 40th Infantry division on the active central front in Korea. Pvt. Klotz entered the army last February and arrived in Korea on Aug. 11.

Lansing State Journal (Lansing, Michigan) Thursday 29 April 1954

SHIRLEY BURCH BECOMES BRIDE OF ROY KLOTZ



A honeymoon trip to northern Michigan followed the Saturday afternoon nuptials of Miss Shirley Ann Burch and Roy Eugene Klotz. They exchanged vows in Okemos Community church before Rev. Paul Dillingham.

The newlyweds will reside at 1707 S. Cedar st.

The new Mrs. Klotz is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin E. Burch of R. 4, Mason. Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Klotz, of R. 4, Mason are parents of the bridegroom.

For her nuptials, the bride chose a gown of Chantilly type lace fashioned with an insert of fan pleated tulle in the skirt. She carried white glamelias on her father's 24-year-old Bible.

Mrs. Robert Hayhoe, of Williamston, sister of the bride, was honor maid. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Jerry Burch, Mrs. Russell Burch, Mrs. Dale Burch, sisters-in-law of the bride. Miss Judy Klotz, sister of the bridegroom and Miss Susan Hayhoe were flower girls.

Robert Hayhoe of Williamston, brother-in-law of the bride, was best man. Russell Burch and Jerry Burch, brothers of the bride, and Bruce Klotz of Mason, brother of the bridegroom, seated guests.

A reception in the church parlors followed the ceremony.

Livingston County Daily Press and Argus (Livingston, Michigan) Wednesday 27 January 1971

COOK OF THE WEEK

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Mrs. Klotz says she does the usual chores on a dairy farm from washing the milkers to helping nurse the sick calves and cows. Her list includes such jobs as baling hay, mending fences and building gates. She also keeps the farm books, and cow records.

She relates one of her most interesting experience in this way: "When I first moved onto a dairy farm, I was very green about cows and freshening (giving birth to their young). I remember I was in the process of baking a cake and needed an egg, so I went down to the chicken coop and got a nice fresh egg. I could hear this groaning noise from the barn, so by nature I went in. There laid a cow beginning to have her calf."

"I just had to watch this moment of life, but when the calf was born I headed for the house. I could not get started back to that cake for an hour. Of course, this event happens quite frequently on a farm, so once again I had the opportunity to watch another birth, but this time I had all five children lined up watching with me. I knew at the time what an experience they were going through." To Shirley this is just another plus to life on the farm.

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The recipes she wishes to share are from a collection used during the holidays, however they may be used for a number of occasions with as much satisfaction. The nut cookies are excellent for teas, or when packing a box of "goodies."

NUT COOKIES

1/2 pound butter

4 tablespoons white sugar

1/2 teaspoon salt

2 cups flour

1 cup pecan nuts (ground finely)

Mix well into small balls and bake at 250 degrees for 1 hour. Roll in powdered sugar while warm and again when cold.

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Mix together
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left-overs marshmallows
1 box powdered sugar
This will liquidize
ADD:
4 cups cocoa
1/2 teaspoon salt
Chill about 1 hour
until you have 4 balls, of desired size
In the top of a boiler, over 12 ounces of water, boil (one package) 1/2 bar paraffin
Dip balls.

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Mr. and Mrs. Klotz and sons M. Short, and Gale Kings Robert Olin

Shirley and Roy celebrated 60 years and 5 children together. Shirley died 17 May 2014 and was interred Montgomery Cemetery, Montgomery County, Michigan.

Obituary: Green Funeral Home, Hillman, Michigan

Shirley Ann Klotz On May 17, 2014 Shirley Ann Klotz entered her Heavenly Father's Home with family at her side. She was born March 23, 1936 in Okemos MI to Calvin and Doris Burch. She married the love of her life Roy Eugene Klotz on April 24, 1954, and had the honor of being his wife for 60 years. From their union five children were born, Pam (Steve) Achatz, Connie Johnston, Amy (Mike) Carter, Carol Klein and Christian Klotz all of Hillman. Their family grew to include 15 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

Roy and Shirley moved to Hillman in 1971, where she was a devoted farmer's wife, and was well known in the community for her 43 years of accounting. Shirley was a former Treasurer for Montmorency Township, a member of the Hillman Fire Board, and a founding member of the Hillman Fire Department Women's auxiliary. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, a 4-H leader, an active member of HPAC, and was the Superintendent for the needlework Department at the Montmorency Co. Fair for many years. She and Roy were well known for their elephant ears during their days of R&S Fun Foods. Shirley enjoyed collecting dolls and spoons. She loved to crochet and quilt, and was a member of the Thunderbay Quilt Guild.

She was preceded in death by her parents Calvin & Doris Burch, sister Donna Hayhoe, brothers; Dale Burch, Russ Burch and Jerry Burch. In-laws Roy & Genevieve Klotz, son-in-law Perrin Klein and great granddaughter Amy Cordes. Funeral services for Mrs. Klotz will be held on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 11:00 AM at the St. Johns Lutheran Church, Pastor Jason Mandley officiating.