



## Evelyn M. Volkmer

September 22, 1935 - January 1, 2023

Evelyn Marie Volkmer was born to John D. & Susan Mildred (Otte) Toews on September 22, 1935 at rural Henderson, Nebraska, and passed away on January 1, 2023, at the Fillmore County Hospital in Geneva, Nebraska at the age of 87 years, 3 months and 10 days. She was one of 3 children born in the family.

Evelyn grew up in York, Nebraska and graduated from York High School. After finishing high school, Evelyn went to work at York Public Schools. She met a young man named Merlin Volkmer when she was set up on a blind date with Marion and Richard Theobald as the other couple. Evelyn and Merlin were married on August 10, 1957 and to this union 4 children were born: Ronald, Pat, Michael, and Susan.

Evelyn & Merlin lived in York after their marriage, but they moved to Merlin's parent's farm, rural Shickley, in the fall of 1959, after Merlin's parents retired from farming. Evelyn remained on the farm until her passing. After her marriage to Merlin, Evelyn went to work for Grady Corbitt at his law office. Upon Grady's passing, she took a job with Geneva State Bank as a trust officer, retiring in 2010.

Evelyn was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Shickley, serving on the Parish Council of Catholic Women. Evelyn was an avid reader, and she

especially enjoyed reading mysteries. Evelyn & Merlin were also members of the Old Car Club and Tour Nebraska Car Club. She enjoyed going to coffee in the morning and visiting with 'the girls.'

Evelyn was preceded in death by her parents; brother Allen Toews; in-laws Deloris Volkmer, Eunice Chitwood, John Volkmer, Kenny & Norma Volkmer, Roger Volkmer and Ervin Volkmer.

She is survived by her husband Merlin of Shickley, Nebraska; sister Marty Toews of Lincoln, Nebraska; children Ronald Volkmer and wife Rona of Carleton, Nebraska, Pat Mau and husband Paul of Geneva, Nebraska, Mike Volkmer and wife Jolene of Plainfield, Illinois, and Susan Volkmer of Waterloo, Nebraska; grandchildren Ross Volkmer and wife Janessa of Goodland, Kansas, Riley Volkmer and wife Hannah of Kearney, Nebraska, Preston Mau of Geneva, Nebraska, Phylicia Mau of Manhattan, Kansas, Priscilla Mau of Waterloo, Nebraska, Katrine Gallo and husband Mike of Spearfish, South Dakota, Eric Volkmer of Springfield, Illinois, Matt Volkmer and wife Emma of Springfield, Missouri, and Jared Volkmer of Plainfield, Illinois; and great grandchildren Nora & Banks Volkmer of Goodland, Kansas.

A Funeral Mass for Evelyn was held on Thursday, January 5, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church in Shickley, Nebraska. A Rosary was prayed at 10:00 a.m., prior to the Mass. Father Harlan Waskowiak presided over the Services. Carol Grote accompanied the congregation in the singing of "The Old Rugged Cross," "Open My Eyes, Lord," "Be Not Afraid," "Song Of Farewell," and "How Great Thou Art."

Pallbearers for the Service included Ross Volkmer, Riley Volkmer, Katrine Gallo, Eric Volkmer, Preston Mau, Matt Volkmer, Priscilla Mau, and Phylicia Mau. Honorary pallbearer was Jared Volkmer.

It was Evelyn's wish to be cremated following the Funeral Mass and there will be a private Committal of Ashes in the St. Mary Catholic Cemetery at a later date.

Farmer & Son Funeral Home was in care of the arrangements and online condolences can be left at [www.farmerandsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.farmerandsonfuneralhome.com)

Memorials are suggested to the Shickley Community Foundation or the Shickley Veteran's Memorial Park.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Farmer & Son Funeral Home  
242 N 10th Street  
Geneva, NE 68361  
(402) 759-3617  
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

## Rosary

JAN 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
703 Swartzendruber Dr  
Shickley, NE 68436

## Funeral Mass

JAN 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
703 Swartzendruber Dr  
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# Tribute Wall

LS

“ *Leslie Schultz lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Volkmer*

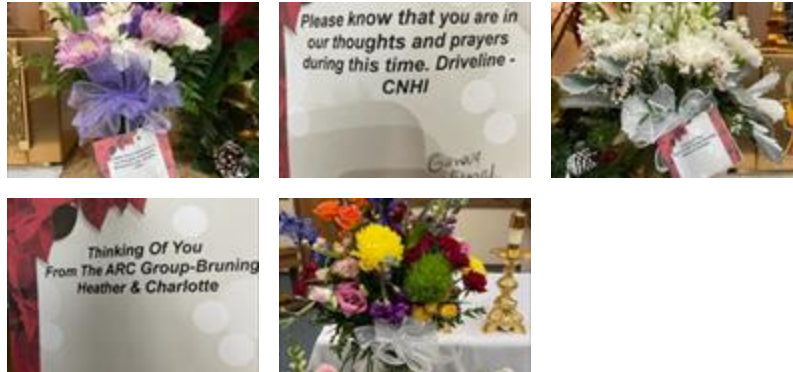


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**Leslie Schultz** - January 25, 2023 at 01:29 PM



“ *38 files added to the album Flower Pictures*



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**Farmer & Son Funeral Home** - January 05, 2023 at 02:32 PM

DR

“ *Sorry for your loss Merlin and family. Many great memories. She was a very friendly lady. This trait carried on to her family.*

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**Don and Shirley Rytych** - January 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Evelyn M. Volkmer.



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January 04, 2023 at 08:14 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Evelyn M. Volkmer.



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January 04, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *CNH 4WD Tractor Team* purchased the *Country Basket Blooms* for the family of Evelyn M. Volkmer.



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**CNH 4WD Tractor Team** - January 04, 2023 at 09:30 AM



“ *Brian Vik* lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Volkmer



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**Brian Vik** - January 04, 2023 at 09:22 AM

LD

“ *Lisa Dondlinger lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Volkmer*



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**Lisa Dondlinger** - January 03, 2023 at 10:49 PM

VJ

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**Virginia Johnson** - January 03, 2023 at 10:23 PM

KM

“ *Kent & Lori McVay purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Evelyn M. Volkmer.*



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**Kent & Lori McVay** - January 03, 2023 at 06:56 PM

AT

“ *Evelyn was a co-worker with me at Geneva State Bank. She and Merlin went on a lot of Ambassador Club trips with me. We became good friends. She will be missed by so many. Gordon and I extend our sincerest sympathy to her family.*

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**Alice Tatro** - January 03, 2023 at 06:00 PM

RR

“ *My sincerest condolences to Merlin and his family.*

Ronda Rich - January 03, 2023 at 05:13 PM

Mary Stanislav

“ *Mary Stanislav lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Volkmer*



Mary Stanislav - January 03, 2023 at 02:10 PM

MJ

“ *My sincere sympathy to Evelyn’s family. I remember her as a strong, loving, witty, and sharing woman. Both Mort and treasured her. May she RIP.*

Mary Johnson - January 03, 2023 at 12:20 PM

CL

“ *Cindy Leinen lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Volkmer*



Cindy Leinen - January 03, 2023 at 12:17 PM

JS

“ *Evelyn was such an advocate for the christmas store. 3 weeks ago , right on schedule she brought her hand made bundles to donate. She will be missed*

Jill schmidt - January 03, 2023 at 12:13 PM

DC

“ *Driveline - CNHI purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Evelyn M. Volkmer.*



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**Driveline - CNHI** - January 03, 2023 at 10:41 AM

LH

“ *Linda Heinisch lit a candle in memory of Evelyn M. Volkmer*



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**Linda Heinisch** - January 03, 2023 at 09:56 AM

HF

“ *Holly & Doug Fischer lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Volkmer*



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**Holly Rippe & Doug Fischer** - January 03, 2023 at 09:39 AM

LG

“ *We were with them on some of the Tour Nebraska Events and other old car events. Our sympathies to the family of Evelyn.*

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**Liz Gerberding** - January 03, 2023 at 09:23 AM

KT

“ *Kent Rose Theobald lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Volkmer*



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**Kent & Rose Theobald** - January 02, 2023 at 09:47 PM