

Shine, Julie



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Julie Shine

Boyd ~ Julie Andree Shine, 80, went to be with our Lord Thursday, Dec. 31, 2020, in Decatur.

Funeral is 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, 2021, at Hawkins Funeral Home in Boyd. Family will receive friends one hour prior to service.

Julie was born in Luxembourg during World War II and had more moxie in her under 5-foot frame than the Spitfires that conquered the air. She witnessed the atrocities of war from a very young age, spending most of the first five years of her life in a basement. At the closing of the war, when the Americans marched through her town, her dream of living in America blossomed with that first piece of chocolate a soldier gifted her. In 1963, Julie came to America with her husband, Phil, her son, John, and her daughter, Andree, still in the womb yet to be born. Later in 1970, Julie married Ed Shine, 3 months after a rocking blind date, to begin their lifelong adventure together of 48 years. They eventually laid roots in Boyd in 1981, where they dirtied their hands together and built their home brick by brick. In October 1999, Julie became a citizen of the United States, achieving her first dream of becoming an American Cowgirl.

Julie's first job was at Justin's boot company sewing the stitching on cowboy boots, bringing her close to the cowboys she so admired. After making sure the cowboys of Texas had good boots to wear, Julie began the next chapter of her life at Corning. Here she made sure telephone boxes were wired that you will see on street corners, allowing all the gossip to be passed from friend to friend. She retired from making conversations over a distance a reality after 27 years of service. Her laughter and smile will be forever missed on this earth.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her son, John Johnson; her stepson, Jayson Shine; her brother, Paul Rischette; and her sister, Grita Pironi-Rischette.

Those left behind to cherish her memory are her daughter, Andree Rumbough and husband David of Boyd; her stepson, Gene Shine of Watauga; her granddaughter, Rachel Macek and husband, Matthew, of Missouri; her great-granddaughter, Hailey; three nieces, Patrizia, Laura, and Paola of Luxembourg; other relatives and a host of friends.

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