



Shirley Wayman Guy

June 1, 1929 - July 21, 2016

Shirley Wayman Guy, of Manassas, VA passed away on July 21, 2016 at age 87.

Mrs. Guy was born on June 1, 1929 and grew up in Schenectady, New York. She graduated from Allegheny College in 1951 with a major in Economics and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, Alpha Xi Delta , Theta Sigma Sororities, and little sister of Sigma Nu Fraternity. She worked at the Department of the Interior prior to starting a family and later at Piedmont Federal as a loan officer, and finally as business partner for her husband Richard Guy's art business in Manassas.

Mrs. Guy married her husband, Richard Guy, in Schenectady on December 29, 1951. They lived in Westport, CT, Bethesda, MD and, for the past 48 years, in Manassas, VA, where they raised their four children. Family life, raising her children, staying close to all relatives near and far away, was her true joy and passion.

Mrs. Guy was an important part of the Manassas community since 1967. She volunteered with Welcome to Washington, The Garden Club, The Manassas Museum, and Women's Auxiliary. Mrs. Guy also volunteered each election year helping with the voting process in Manassas. She loved to be involved and was generous with her time for all of these groups.

Mrs. Guy had many interests in her life. She was an avid reader of history, geography, genealogy and fiction. Mrs. Guy loved to travel with family and friends, visiting England, Wales, Germany, Spain, Jamaica, Majorca and to

New England, California and Arizona. She spent summers at the family lake house at Deep Creek, MD, and at Greystone, her New York family cabin in Schoharie County. She also loved going to the beach at Nags Head and Huntington Beach in California. She truly cherished her lifelong friends. Mrs. Guy was a great listener, a wonderful friend, wife, mother, and grandmother. She always had a kind word for everyone. One of her favorite sayings epitomized her outlook on life, "You can't succeed and find happiness if it's all about you. Find your joy and follow it with sacrifice and giving." Mrs. Guy is predeceased by her husband Richard and son Allan. Survivors include her children Marianne Pendlebury (Stephen) of Herndon, VA, Stephen (Kristy) of Costa Mesa, CA, Clayton (Angelique) of Gilbert, AZ. Her grandchildren are Michael Pendlebury (Teresa), Laura Delaney (CJ), Julia Guy, Evan Guy and Chase Bailey. Beloved extended family includes: Maggi Root, Robert Root, Jr (Brenda), Jenn Root Martel (Alex), Nancy Muir, David Muir (Jaclyn), Michael Muir, Joy Mollenada (Edward); and in New York, the Flint family: Orin, Marjorie, James, John and Jean and all their children and the Wayman family: Mark and Elna Virtel. The family will receive friends at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA on July 28, 2016 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Services will be held on July 29, 2016 from 1:00pm to 2:00pm. Donations may be sent on her behalf to: Manassas Museum, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110

"A WORD OF THANKS FROM THE GUY FAMILY"

All of the extended Guy Family wishes to express their heartfelt gratitude to all the people who attended the visitation and memorial for Shirley Guy this Thursday and Friday, and for those who could not attend but were with us in our thoughts, prayers and memories. You give us strength in this time of grief, and the outpouring of your love lessens our heartache. Words can never express what you mean to us.

A special thank you goes out to all of Shirley's friends, her fellow volunteers and the organizations she worked with, for you too have been part of our extended family for the past 48 years we have been in Manassas. You welcomed us in 1967 with open arms, and have given us the best of the best in friendships, community, emotional support and enduring love. Our lives are intertwined; our losses are shared, as are joys more numerous to count. We can never thank you enough for all you have done for Shirley, Dick and Allan, now and over the years.

We also give sincere thanks to Bill Douwes, a close family friend of many years who, on his birthday, came down from Frederick, Maryland to play Amazing Grace on bagpipes for Shirley's memorial.

Blessings to you all,
The Guys.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **28.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *My sincere condolences to you. We had such a happy times together working or participating in Welcome to Washington, especially in the Arts and Crafts Group. I have some of your fathers' beautifully painted cards of Washington. I will miss her.*

Liliana Hartman - August 07, 2016 at 01:13 PM

DF

“ Like my Dad, I'm a little long winded at times and have not been able to say much yet, but fully want to.... Yes, I'm so very sad that my/our cousin Shirley Wayman Guy has passed on and that we will not see her again and hug her in person, but I will always remember her special touch and her smile and her incredible wisdom. I will always remember that she knows where everything is located "almost" as she said, and that she is one of two persons in my life that I've ever known that could be near me when I wake up in the morning and make a morning better for me. (I did tell her so she would know it and she said she felt really special and smiled from ear to ear with her morning coffee. She was so proud to be this special to me in this way.) -- Yes, she was really special if this was so... and it was.) If anyone could actually bring me to liking a morning which is very difficult for me personally, that is huge, especially when I had been allergic to something all night long and felt like ants bit me up endlessly. Oops, and possibly, with Shirley help, we determined it must have been from the clam bake, so she taught me not to indulge there.) It was part of her charm and love unto others around her always. (She was my Dad's first cousin and he thought so highly of her and loved her so very much. She was like a sister to him when they were growing up. She was/is my second cousin, but even more importantly, a dear friend to me over my lifetime.) Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with her immediate and extended family during this difficult time when they have loss their beloved mother and grandmother that was such a loving and caring person. I really don't know of anyone that could share love as much as she did at an individual level and to me so personally with every opportunity that arose. I/We also thank Shirley's immediate family for sharing the perfect words to try and describe her so well as we were so upset to even put words together and to help us with our grieving process too. This is yet another sign of their goodness unto others and I deeply thank you each for sharing your talents, as I needed help to process. Thank you for sharing not only some fond memories and lovely family pictures to help capture those precious moments together with your Mom/grandmother, and our cousin, but to also honor her for a life

well lived and shared! - I really enjoyed every picture you selected to share with us and the red rose was touching. Shirley deserved the very best and you did show the very best in her honor. I will miss her and just knowing that she was there, not too far away, was a comfort to me. I believe her and her family's great legacy of caring and sharing, and being so loving and sincere, from their hearts to our hearts, is how I'll always remember dear Shirley and her family members. (My grandparents always thought the world of her too, and they talked about her all the time when I was growing up with such fondness and she was a jewel in their eyes. Remember that round robin? Well, anyways, I found out personally why she was so great and this was so true when I became old enough to really get to know her in person. I/We who had the opportunity to spend any time with Shirley were so very blessed and she was always so helpful on just about any subject. (In my case, a variety of subjects to include getting a mortgage for the first time and buying a house many years ago for the first time to just finding something needed at Greystone, for example-- she knew where both the sugar and sweet n low was hidden, as well as, every little dish and the coffee.:-) So, to my second cousin Shirley Guy, I am so glad I got to know you, I love you, and I will miss you and your loving persona. Our treasured moments together and those unique treasures to me that we shared, will always remain in my humble heart, mind, and in my own very cherished memories forever... w/ Love to you Always and your family.... xoxox... Desiree Flint

Desiree Flint - August 02, 2016 at 06:15 PM

CS

“ Craig, Diane, Chris, Ryan & Sean purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Shirley Wayman Guy.



Craig, Diane, Chris, Ryan & Sean - July 28, 2016 at 04:25 PM

CY

“ Shirley was like a mother to me and a grandmother to my son for 10 awesome and memory-filled years. Nothing and no one can take that away from us. She never judged anyone and knew **everyone** was flawed and loved anyway. How unfortunate all people don't feel or behave that way. With Richard, Allan, and Shirley now gone, the world is a scarier and lonelier place.

Cynthia - July 28, 2016 at 02:28 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Shirley Wayman Guy.



July 28, 2016 at 08:46 AM

MV

“ I will 'try' to put into words how we feel. Shirley Guy was a great woman, mother, wife and person! She sacrificed in many ways. She was giving, loyal, sweet and caring. We will miss her. Clay asked for memories. This may take a 'bit'. We remember the countless times at Deep Creek that we enjoyed GREATLY. We loved the hospitality that she always showed. We also had them at her home too. Mom and dad were ALWAYS welcomed when they went to FL every year to stop in on way down or back up. She came up for family reunions and brought Aunt Fran up and had to take 2 days to come up for her. She did what she thought was RIGHT to make it happen. Mom and she were close too. They were born 3 months apart and married in the same year. She was the sister that she never had. She was also my 2nd mother. She listened. She texted me. She was a great listener! If I kept going.....this may sound like a eulogy.....so maybe I should stop and leave THAT to Clay, Marianne, Steve, Laura, CJ, Mike, Kristi, Julia. WE will miss you Shirley Wayman Guy! In MORE ways than one! HUGS in heaven!!!

Mark Virtell - July 27, 2016 at 07:13 PM

JD

“ John and Catherine Davis purchased the Sunny Memories for the family of Shirley Wayman Guy.



John and Catherine Davis - July 27, 2016 at 01:15 PM

TH

“ Throughout my life I have cherished the still, quiet moments shared with Shirley (and Dick Guy). Particularly, Shirley had a lot of wisdom to impart in the silences shared while sitting in Adirondack chairs, listening to the water lap against the dock and shore, at Deep Creek Lake, Maryland. Her words were sagely and comforting ... her words evoked thought and challenge ... and her words will be greatly missed. As life presses forward, family and friends have passed-on from this earth in recent years ... and although the sadness is never gone, the joy of the mutual time together makes me ever thankful, on behalf of us all, that our paths intersected with Shirley Wayman Guy's. From long ago she blessed all around her, asking little in return, and today I choose to celebrate a life well lived. I choose to celebrate that little piece of her we all have in us which remains and I choose to share forward her matriarchal lessons and embodiment of wisdom, understanding, counsel, knowledge, fortitude, piety, and wonder (*sapientia, intellectus, consilium, fortitude, scientia, pietas, timor Domini*). Let me not forget LOVE ... for she had love in abundance ... I will miss you my good friend.

Todd Hinson - July 26, 2016 at 03:56 PM

BS

“ Becky and John Staples purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Shirley Wayman Guy.



Becky and John Staples - July 26, 2016 at 03:25 PM

JC

“ It is with sadness that I read death of Shirley while up in Maine. She was a good friend and worker for Welcome to Washington. When I was President, she never said "no" when asked to do something for the organization. She was always ready, willing and very able. She will be sorely missed. I am sorry to be away for her memorial service, but my thoughts will be you. Love, Joan Chase

Joan Chase - July 26, 2016 at 08:50 AM

A.

“ My deepest condolences to the family in the loss of your dear loved one . May you find comfort knowing God is close to those broken at heart (Psalm 34:18); and in cherished memories shared with family and friends.

A.H. - July 25, 2016 at 04:37 PM

BK

“ *"When you are sorrowful, look again in your heart, and you shall see that in truth you are weeping for that which has been your delight."* Kahlil Gibran
Shirley epitomized delight, as she showed it so often and well, upon seeing any of her many friends and family, every single time. To experience that honest delight all you had to do was show up, and you would receive such a powerful validation and affirmation that many of us drank deeply at her boundless well of love. She was one of the most loving people I have ever had the privilege of knowing. The world is a poorer place without her.
Love Always, Bobbi

Bobbi Kregel - July 25, 2016 at 03:17 PM

MG

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Guy family. The Guy family has played such an iconic role in the City of Manassas.
Maury & Vera Gerson

Maury Gerson - July 25, 2016 at 02:59 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall

Cyndi Lou - July 25, 2016 at 06:31 AM



“ I have done Shirley hair for years she the sweetest lady i will miss her .so sorry for the loss

Debbie Kelly - July 24, 2016 at 02:11 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Shirley Wayman Guy.



July 24, 2016 at 11:42 AM

PS

“ Shirley Guy was truly an "ambassador" to Welcome to Washington International Club serving on the board many years, participating in so many events and always greeting members with her smile. Shirley truly exemplified the heart of real friendship extending across international borders and promoting peace. She will be greatly missed. I was truly blessed by her friendship over the years.
Peggy Adorian Silverman, Past President

Peggy Silverman - July 24, 2016 at 08:05 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Shirley Wayman Guy.*



July 23, 2016 at 04:06 PM



“ *Shirley will be missed by all of her family near and far. She was a great lady and a good example to all of us! She was always upbeat, happy, and a problem solver. She was a gracious hostess and very generous.*

*Love,
Joanna Setzler*

Joanna Setzler - July 23, 2016 at 01:33 PM



“ *Marianne, Steve, Clayton & your families, We are so very sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. She was a lovely woman & a "ray of sunshine" to the community (and everywhere she went, for that matter)! She will be greatly missed by her friends and loved ones. I have known your family all of my life. My parents knew yours and my siblings & I grew up with you! I've always admired your dad's "local" (& historical) art and Allan's art, as well! My mother & I worked with Mrs Guy at Piedmont! She was always smiling. She was very proud of her family! May your memories of her bring you some comfort and help to heal your hearts.*



*Please accept our deepest sympathies in your time of sorrow!
All Our Love,
Bev & Rob*

Bev & Rob Calderoni - July 23, 2016 at 06:56 AM

RF

“ Shirley was one of the nicest, sweetest lady I have ever met and had the joy to work with at Piedmont Federal S&L and had many lunches with her. She will not only be missed by me, but over half of the Manassas people as she was very well known in the area. God bless her family. A friend, Ruby Frame

Ruby Frame - July 23, 2016 at 06:48 AM