



Shirley Rensch Secrest

March 16, 1924 - December 9, 2020

Shirley Rensch Secrest, age 96, passed away on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 in Gainesville, VA. She was born on March 16, 1924 in Elkhart, Indiana to the late Leo William and Flora Lavonia (Bell) Rensch.

Shirley was raised in the Washington, D. C. area and attended Anacostia High School. She graduated from Sibley Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in 1947.

Married in January 1948 to Frederick T. Secrest, a U.S. Air Force pilot, Shirley worked at numerous hospitals across the country and overseas, most notably in London, England. She retired from nursing in 1984. Her last position was at the Central Louisiana VA Hospital. She spent a great deal of her later years residing in Alexandria, Louisiana. She moved to Gainesville, Virginia in August 2020 to be with family.

Shirley is predeceased by her parents and husband Frederick T. Secrest. Survivors include her nephews Robert L. Graves, (Nina) of Gaithersburg, MD; Charles K. Graves, (Marlene) of Gainesville, VA and a niece, Cande L. Jarboe (John) of Tracey's Landing, MD. Additionally, there are several great and great-great nephews and nieces.

A private graveside service will be held at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Suitland, Maryland.

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