



Shirley M. Droste

July 11, 1926 - August 24, 2013

Droste, Shirley. With great sadness we announce the passing of our beloved wife and mother on August 24, 2013 in Sarasota, Florida. She died peacefully in her home with her husband by her side. Surviving members of her family include beloved husband Alvin, sons, David Susan, James Christine, Timothy Meg and daughters Bethann Chuck Reed and Mary Kay David Zurcher. Shirley had nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren she adored. Her parents, Joseph and Louise Calcaterra and her only brother Joseph, preceded her in death.

Shirley was born in Detroit on July 11, 1926. She attended St. David's High School and upon graduation enrolled as a Cadet Nurse in the Nursing Program at Mercy College. After graduation, Shirley practiced nursing at Holy Cross Hospital for nine years. It was during this period that Shirley met and married Alvin, a design engineer at Chrysler. Alvin and Shirley raised their five children in suburban Detroit. They loved traveling with their family and became world travelers after their children were grown. Following Alvin's retirement in 1989, they moved to Sarasota, keeping a summer home in Michigan. They enjoyed entertaining friends, attending the theater, and walking the local beaches. In her quiet moments Shirley was always reading. A memorial visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Rd. 3 blks. E. of Van Dyke Utica. A memorial service will be held on Friday, Sept. 6, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations in

Shirley's name can be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. www.cskdetroit.org. Please share a memory at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com

Tribute Wall

CO

“ I would like to express my condolences to your family on the loss of your loved one. Times like these are always difficult. At Revelation 21:3,4 the Bible tell us the God will "wipe out every tear from their eye" and "death" and "mourning" will be no more.

Chris O'Brien - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MZ

“ Mom D.- August 29As I sit here eating this entire garden tomato, I am smiling to myself. Remember 1 tomato was always too much, but when we shared it together it was perfect. You taught me so much over the 40 years I had the honor of you being part of my life. I learned it's okay to eat sliced watermelon on today's newspaper-covered picnic table. I learned to always group all the cold refrigerator items on the counter BEFORE you open the refrigerator door to put them away! I learned that eating dinner over ALWAYS resulted in doing dishes for a small army! I learned to always plan sleepovers with my best friend Mary Kay around "The Annual Droste Hedge Cutting Day" because yep you become an extra pair of pick-up sticks hands all the following day. I learned camping in a trailer was indeed fun, but a little bit of toilet paper goes a long way! Hands down though, I learned how much fun it was to be part of a large family and always feel welcome. I have peace knowing you are now in the arms of God. Although I will miss you, I feel in my heart there will always be a little piece of you with me. I look forward to that day when we meet again~slice our tomato and have our two forks ready: Oh I almost forgot the most important thing.I promise I will take care of my best friend because afterall its because of her that I was able to have the second Mom I had in you. Forever Blessing, Margaret Zerilli and my family too

Margaret Zerilli - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Dear Mr. Droste and family, I'm sorry for the loss you've suffered of your dear wife and mother Shirley . Please accept my deepest sympathy. I wanted to share a comforting message with your family from the Bible. There lies a wonderful hope for those who have fallen asleep in death and their families. God has the *POWER* and *DESIRE* to resurrect those whom he chooses. Please examine John 5:28, 29 where the prospect lies of being reunited with your loved ones again. Continue to draw close to God during your time of need as God is near to those who are brokenhearted Ps. 34:18. Hope this helps your family as it has mine.

Mrs. Houston - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM