



Shirley Therkalsen

February 17, 1929 - December 19, 2012

Shirley Helene Therkalsen nee Dube, age 83, a resident of Royal Oak, formerly of Detroit, died December 19, 2012 at her home. She was born February 17, 1929 in Detroit to the late Edgar and Corinne Dube. Mrs. Therkalsen was a member of the Royal Oak Garden Club and Friends of the Royal Oak Public Library. She is survived by her husband, Jim Therkalsen; the couple married August 27, 1949 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Royal Oak; children, Gregg Jamie Therkalsen, Mary Tom Mickus, Mike Denise Therkalsen and Steve Therkalsen; grandchildren, Jim, Scott, Kelly, Eric, Michael, Jennifer, Ryan and Kyle Therkalsen and Zachary Mickus; great-granddaughter, Lillie Therkalsen; and sister-in-law, Kay Dube. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Greg Dube and Robert Alice Dube. There will be memorial visitation Wednesday 6-9 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W Eleven Mile Road 4 blocks E of Woodward, Royal Oak. A Memorial Mass will be held Thursday 11 a.m. at St. Columban Catholic Church in Birmingham. Memorials to Gilda's Club Metro Detroit are appreciated. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Tribute Wall

CB

“ *My sincere condolences to Shirley's family. Having been a friend and co-worker of Mary Therkalsen Mickus for many years, I know Shirley was a great mother and wife. It is very sad to lose a loved one, but each of you will always have a part of her in your hearts.*

Chuck Briggs - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *I'm so sorry that Mary and her brothers lost their mother and that her father lost his wife. I will keep them all in my prayers.*

Dave Mabry - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *I am very sorry. I will pray for your Mom and you.*

Shane M. DeWitt - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Every time I met or talked to Shirley I felt welcomed. She had a great sense of humor. She had a tough job living with Jim, but you could tell she loved him. Jim worshiped Shirley. He always said how lucky he was and I always had to agree. We are all lucky and blessed by having known her. I know she is in heaven with the other angels. Right where she belongs. God bless her & her family.*

Mike Michalski - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ *Mary, you spoke so often of your mother and with so much love and admiration. My heartfelt sympathy to you and your family.*

Catherine - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Condolences to the Therkalsen family. I work with Mary at Chrysler. My thoughts and prayers go out to your whole family. Psalms 147:3 says God "is healing the brokenhearted ones, and is binding up their painful spots. May God bring you comfort and peace.

Damon Williams - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ As a little girl, I remember playing at "Aunt Shirley and Uncle Jim's" house. What fun Mary and I had together. As an adult, I fondly remember your mother's stories and how she would make me laugh. My mother will miss her deeply. They were the best of friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Karen Mitson Swope - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ I cherish the many fond memories with Shirley and Jim on numerous occasions over three score years.

Herb Mitson - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Our parents were friends before we were born. Our friendship deepened as teenagers. From then on we have been like sisters. No matter where I lived we were always in touch. I miss talking to her about life.*

Jacki Mitson - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM