



Dianne Lydia Shea

May 19, 1953 - January 8, 2022

Dianne Lydia Shea, 68, of Eagan, formerly of Minnetonka and Minneapolis. Beloved Mama Shea, Nana, and friend. Preceded in death by loving husband Patrick. Survived by Son Michael (Melissa) Shea; Daughter Meghan Shea; Grandchildren Merlin, Orion & Fitzgerald Shea and Sarah McDaniel; Sister in Law Peggy (Shea) Zera and family Rob, Dan (Niki) and RJ Zera, Cousins Marlene Smith and Betty-Ann Kleinschmidt, her most enduring friendships and countless others. Services Friday, January 21st at Washburn McReavy, Edina. Visitation at 10:00 am, Service at 11:00 am, burial to follow at St. Mary's Cemetery. Due to COVID a luncheon/ celebration of life will be held later this spring.

Dianne was an amazing woman who was a fighter throughout her life. A fiercely loving and devoted wife & mother who taught her children the meaning of family. These lessons were not limited to her children and she earned the nickname "Mama Shea" from those to whom she gave advice; solicited or otherwise. She easily became a Nana who adored every moment she spent with her grandchildren. Every holiday will be remembered with one of her amazing, fun traditions.

Dianne fondly remembered her time at the Delta Gamma Sorority University of Minnesota chapter and meeting her "Big Sister" turned lifelong Sister-in-Law; Peggy. It was through her she met the man destined to be her husband,

Patrick. The family they created together was her pride and joy. She valued her career as a real estate agent, later moving to Minnetonka in her dream home to raise Mike and Meghan. She did this with great success despite his untimely death shortly thereafter.

Even though she faced mounting health challenges later in life she was determined to be part of every family moment (with her companion pup, Bailey). She strove to be, and achieved, an example of how to stand up for each other and one's own beliefs despite any obstacle.

Her final resting place is with her husband, her everlasting soulmate. We are comforted to know that they are finally together again, watching over from above, cheering us all on.

We have received some requests inquiring about a memorial for Mom. We know that Mom's pride and joy was being Nana and her grandkids are her legacy of love we all share. Mike and I wish to honor that memory for Sarah, Merlin, Orion and Fitzgerald 's future with a fund to go towards their education. If you wish to contribute please send/ make out contributions to Meghan Shea. A special account has been set up for this purpose. Thank you for being a special part of her life and honoring her memory.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery (Mpls)

4403 Chicago Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55407

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436
(952) 920-3996
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Chapel Service

JAN 21. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Dianne Lydia Shea.*



January 19, 2022 at 02:44 PM



“ *Dianne was my realtor at a time when it was difficult for married women to qualify and secure a home loan on their own. Of course, she found a way! I will always remember her laugh, her smile, her wit, her strength! She was one of my Mom's favorite people! Hope you and Pat are having a dance and many laughs together again. Peace and love be with you, dear Dianne. Eileen Ryan*

E Ryan - January 19, 2022 at 07:02 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dianne Lydia Shea.*



January 18, 2022 at 01:53 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Dianne Lydia Shea.*



January 18, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Dianne Lydia Shea.*



January 17, 2022 at 10:59 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Dianne Lydia Shea.*



January 17, 2022 at 02:38 PM



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Peggy Zera - January 15, 2022 at 08:46 PM

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Rob, Peg, Pat and Dianne - September 1978

Peggy Zera - January 15, 2022 at 08:54 PM



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Mike Shea - January 14, 2022 at 02:25 PM

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“ *When were young and at a gathering at the Schlueter's house, Aunt Sylv told Dianne to go put a sweater on. Dianne's response was she had to go put a sweater on because her Mom was cold. I loved her humor! She was my cousin, friend, and realtor. She excelled at all of them. I love her and miss her.*

Patty Matson - January 14, 2022 at 12:53 PM

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Mom still said that to us!! Only the reverse, we had to put on sweaters when she was cold.

Meghan Shea - January 14, 2022 at 04:49 PM

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Marlene Smith - January 13, 2022 at 11:26 PM

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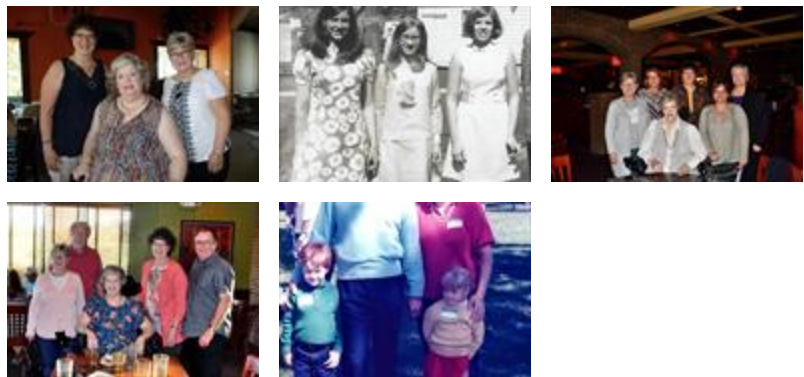
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Mike Shea - January 13, 2022 at 09:33 PM

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