



Shirley Jane Caputa

December 2, 1926 - January 29, 2021

Caputa, Shirley Jane (Wagner) Age 94 of New Brighton & Mpls passed on 1/29/2021. Predeceased by parents, Lydia and Herbert; brother, Vernon; husband, Raymond Sr.; son, Raymond Jr.; and grandson, Nick. Shirley lived a very full life. She raised 6 kids and had 8 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. She lived independently until this past fall. Shirley is survived by brother, Tom Wagner; sons, Ed (Mary Jane); Jim (Denise), and Bill; daughters, Nancy & Carole; daughter-in-law, Vickie Burns. Memorials preferred to Little Sisters of the Poor, 330 Exchange St., St. Paul, MN 55102. Due to COVID there will not be a service.

Tribute Wall

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“ I was a friend of Shirley's for many years—especially back in the 1970's and 80's. She went with me to a play at the History Theater on the evening of January 25, 1981, because my husband was home sick with what we thought was a bad cold. However, it was his heart. On January 26, 1981, as he was getting up to go to work, he had a massive heart attack. He was 47 years old. He died later that same day. That's 40 years ago! Shirley and I remained friends for many years. She helped me with a Bible Study class I taught at St. John's Parish, she went with me to many lectures I gave at other parishes. We had lunch dates and concert dates. I am an introvert and don't go in much for close connections to other people. But Shirley and I were about as close friends as I could handle. I remarried Joe Kunze (the retired principal at Mounds View High School) in 1984. Joe and I did a lot of world travel. Shirley was about twelve years older than I. As she got older and lived in the retirement place (Brighton Square??) out on Silver Lake Road, we saw less and less of each other. But I have not forgotten her! I am sending a check to Little Sisters of the Poor. They are one of my favorite charities, too. May God Bless you all, and hold you tightly in his hands. Dorothy Raetz Kunze

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