



Shirley J. Richardson

January 15, 2013

Richardson, Shirley Jean (Bishop) 81, passed away suddenly at her home Tuesday, January 15th 2013. Shirley was born on June 16th, 1931 in Litchfield, IL. She moved to St Paul, MN from Litchfield in 1936, married Paul Richardson in 1952, and then moved to Mountain Home Idaho while Paul served in the US Air Force. Shirley & Paul moved to their current home in Bloomington, MN in 1957. Shirley worked in the home as a loving mother and mentor to her 5 grateful children. She took various typing and clerical jobs that allowed her to work from home until 1985. At that time she took a job with the Larkin Hoffman law firm as a legal secretary. She thoroughly enjoyed her job at the law firm and worked there till well after her 78th birthday. Shirley was a member of the Portland Avenue United Methodist Church where she was widely considered a pillar of the church family. She served on various church committees, taught Sunday school, sang in the choir and published the church newsletter. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents, Ross and Mabel Bishop and her daughter, Susan Joyce. She is survived by her husband, Paul H. Richardson; children, Scott (Darlene), Kathryn (Scott), Barbara (Clint) and Judy (Eric); grandchildren, Nicole (John), Scotty, Taylor (Morgan), Paul (Kasey), David, Maggie (Angel), Peter (Abby), Kate, Megan, Blake and Emma and great-grandchildren, Isaac and Colton. Visitation and a celebration of life ceremony will be held at Portland Avenue United Methodist Church at 8000 Portland Avenue South in Bloomington on Saturday, January 19th with visitation from 10:00 till 11:00 and a celebration of life service from 11:00 till

12:00. A light lunch will be served at the church immediately following the ceremony. Memorials preferred to Portland Avenue United Methodist Church.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Portland Avenue United Methodist Church
8000 Portland Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55420

Service

JAN 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Shirley and I had a close working relationship for over 20 years at Larkin Hoffman where she worked as my legal secretary. She was intelligent, efficient, unflappable in the face of crisis (of which there were many!), unfailingly professional with our clients, and an overall joy and pleasure to work with. Most importantly, she was warm and caring, with always a kind personal word or inquiry whenever my family called for me. She was so valuable that I had no hesitation in agreeing to her extended winter absences to Sanibel. When Nancy and I visited her and Paul there one time, we could see why she eagerly anticipated this annual migration (and wondered why she ever came back). She had a rich life filled with great family love and she will be missed by all of us who knew and loved her. Rest in peace, Shirley.

Gary Van Cleve

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“ Shirley was the best legal secretary I ever had, but more importantly a gracious lady and wonderful friend. She will be dearly missed.

-Scott Johnson

Scott A. Johnson - January 16, 2013 at 03:18 PM