



## Therese Juliann Shields

May 13, 2014

Shields, Therese Juliann age 87, of Richfield, MN, passed away suddenly but peacefully on May 13, 2014. Born October 2, 1926 in Minneapolis to William and Anna Jalma, immigrants to America. Therese "Tee" moved to Owatonna with her parents, maternal grandmother, older sister Barbara, and younger sister Rita (Williams), when her father, who worked for the Insulite Company, was transferred. They spent the war years there, Tee attended Owatonna High, and often recalled the German prisoner of war camp there. The Jalma family moved back to a brand new home in North Minneapolis after the war. Tee went to work at Colle McVoy advertising, and soon met Leo J. Shields, who had returned from WWII in 1946. Leo was a stellar University of Minnesota baseball player. They married on September 4, 1948. They lived in New York, then St. Louis Park. Son William was born in 1950, just as Leo was called back into the Army. After the Korean war, they built and moved into their home in Richfield in February of 1956, being joined by son Timothy in March 1956. Daughter Bridget followed in 1957, and daughter Barbara in 1960. Tee went back to work in 1966, joining her sister Barbara at Architectural Sales of Minnesota, Inc., as a bookkeeper. She retired in 1996, and Leo passed away on May 23, 1997. Tee would spend 58 years in her home, including every Christmas Eve, raising her four kids, helping raise her four grandkids, and preparing holiday meals for the whole family right through Easter 2014. The Shields were early members of St. Richard's Parish. All four children attended school there, as well as grandson Danny. Tee heard the bells of St. Richard's

ring every day, exclaiming the continuity of her life. Her mind was as sharp as ever until she passed, she loved to follow cable TV news! She loved her grandchildren with a passion, and was always there to intercede as good Grandmas are sometimes called to do. She adored young people and they kept her young, along with her cat Sara. She was a great Mom and Grandma and her spirit for life and acceptance of everyone without judgment, is a gift to us for which we will all be forever grateful. Therese was preceded in death by her parents, her sisters and brother Billy who died as a child, and her husband Leo. She is survived by her four children, William (Karen), Timothy (Barbara), Bridget Sturtevant (Don), and Barby Crushshon; her four grandchildren Adam Crushshon, Bridget Kauser (Joe), Danny Shields, and Anna Cooper, and many nieces & nephews. Visitation at Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel, Tuesday, May 20, 5:00- 8:00 pm, and 9:00-10:00 am Wednesday, May 21 at St. Richard's. Funeral at St. Richard's Catholic Church, 7540 Penn Ave. S., Richfield, MN 55423, at 10:00 am Wednesday, May 21, followed by interment at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *The Robideaus purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Therese Juliann Shields.* ”



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**The Robideaus** - May 19, 2014 at 08:38 AM