

Shirley Anderson Hiatt

July 16, 1929 ~ October 17, 2020

Great lady and very special husband and family. She and Richard were wonderful role models for those who grew up in their ward. Wonderful woman.

- Gordon & Cay Westenskow

I have the fondest memories of both your parents. They were selfless, kind, gracious and most generous. My parents saved up and bought our piano from your folks when they bought a new piano. We couldn't afford piano lessons so I would skip school to go home and "Figure it out." Whenever I had a question about fingering for scales or any other Music Theory question your Mom was just a phone call away. Always helped me, encouraged me and made me believe that I could do it... and I did. God Bless you all. Your family is much loved by ours!

- Edye Wagstaff

The obituary you girls put together for your mother is such an honoring tribute to her character. I am so grateful her mother came to La Grande, otherwise we would have been deprived of the many privileges this family brought to our community (both personally and professionally). I see her face in her daughters, it explains the humor I remember in my childhood friend, Barbara (Barbie). There can be no better reflection of a life well-lived than a family who carries on the practices of caring and sharing. Even though it has been 5 decades since our childhood antics, the caring and sharing is at the root of this family. My sincere condolences to each of you and your families. Nita K

- Nita Robertson Kelly

Barbara, I was so sorry to see your mom in the obituaries. I know how hard a time this is for you. Even when you are expecting it, you are still not prepared. This is especially hard when you can't have a regular funeral. I loved reading about your mom and can certainly see where your wonderful musical talents come from. I still remember when President Summers, in his ward conference address, called Jay up to sing a solo instead of calling on someone to bear their testimony. Luckily, you were there and accompanied him like you two had been practicing all

along! Your parents have blessed the lives of you girls in so many ways. Know that Jay and I are thinking of you as you go through this time in your life. I am so blessed to be your friend and to have shared with you so many wonderful memories.

- Jay and Bonnie Harding

Denise and Family, I am sorry to learn of your Mother's recent passing while searching for my Fathers obituary in the Observer. We lost our Mother this past June at 93 years old and it is still fresh in our hearts. I am sure you will cherish the fond memories you have of her and I encourage you to do so. Take care. Kelly

- Kelly Odegaard

Dear Family of Shirley Hiatt, Over the years, I have been Shirley's visiting teacher and she mine. I especially remember her visit after I had had a serious car wreck. She was such a good listener, really caring and willing to help. I remember taking her some yellow mums one time and she planted them and they flourished under her care. A tiny mum plant in a 4"x4" pot grew into a huge 4'x4' plant in her back yard. I took a transplant from them but did not get any blooms. Shirley was very talented musically and provided professional level piano and organ playing in our chapel. I know she tried to make no mistakes and was very upset if she did. Wes and I know her as modest, quiet cheerful and dear to all. She truly loved the Lord and served Him. We have missed the Hiatts ever since they moved from La Grande. We are sorry you have lost her for now. It is nice to know "Families are Forever". We pray the Lord will comfort you. Sincerely,
Wes and Marie Rampton

- Marie Jeannette Rampton

I remember Shirley and her husband Dick fondly when they lived in La Grande. I was particularly close with daughter Julie Higgins and would love to get a message to her. If it's possible would you send Julie my name and email and possibly she will contact me. Thank you, Sally

- Sally Brownton Wiens

Dearest Hiatt family, My fondest childhood memories are of the times spent in the Hiatt home. I truly loved Brother and Sister Hiatt and they showed me great love and acceptance. Such phenomenal humans!! My goodness! We are never old enough to become orphans on this earth. I dearly hope that you will all have cherished memories that bring you comfort and peace. With love, Kerrin

- Kerrin Isaacson Hasler