



Shirley Merkley

July 23, 1934 ~ January 13, 2025

We were saddened to hear of Shirley's passing. Cliff and Shirley hold a special place in our hearts. They befriended us and ministered to our young family when we moved to Colorado. We always came away feeling uplifted and loved from our visits. Your mother had a special way about her and could dispense the best advice and encouragement. I will be forever grateful for her kindness and example in my life at a time I lost my own mother. What a beautiful woman of faith and charity. Even after her move to Utah, we would chat now and then by phone and it always brightened my day. Much love to you , her family.

- The Shannon and Stephen Bague family

I send you my heart felt love. Aunt Shirley, your Mother, is connected to many good memories. I wish you an abiding Spirit and Comfort at this time ♥

- Brent Maedgen

Condolences to the family on Shirley's passing. She lived an exemplary life.

- Dennis and Anita Davis

My dear sister, Shirley was "my Star" to find direction in my life, my friend and mentor. She was tender and would weep with joy when we were together in later years. She was a woman of great faith. I was always comforted by her prayers. She taught me to have great faith in prayer. In my eyes she was perfect. My big sister lives eternally in my heart and will continue to be my sweet sister angel.

- Joanne Gunson Woodruff

I loved your mom dearly! I remember going over to the house in Broomfield a lot and your mom was always sweet to me. Even when I would give your dad a hard time trying to get him to smile she would tsk, tsk me and smile or

laugh. I loved seeing her for lunch a few years ago. She was still so energetic for her age and laughing at our memories. My prayers are with all 5 of you!!! I can just imagine her up there with my mom, Shirley Garfield, Janet Downs, Pat and so many others. Just know she is happy and smiling down at all of you!!!!

- Gail Bench (Holman)

I was so saddened to hear of our loss. Please accept heartfelt condolences.

- Diane Balloue

Remembering Shirley Uncle Glen's Engaged in a game of clue. Dark winter day maybe thanksgiving. Smiles around a couch full of legs akimbo and arms embraced Warmth seeping through Ah for these days of communion Be in peace Shirley

- Dan Rounds

So sorry for your loss. Shirley will be missed

- Corie Poulsen

I feel immense sadness over the loss of Shirley and I feel enormous gratitude for her letting me be part of her intimacy and daily life. As her caregiver, Shirley became a mix of mother and daughter to me and my heart will forever carry her secrets! I will always remember the blue color of the blouses she liked, the beautiful white hair she loved to style. The romantic movies she loved for me to watch with her. The list of songs she asked Alexa to play. The long afternoons playing the trivia board game... She loved talking about her childhood, her children and life. My dear Shirley, thank you for your radiant smile and the life lessons you tried to teach me! Thank you for sharing your beautiful family with me. I would give anything to spend one of those days with you again!

- Roseli Lima