



Sheila Butler McVeigh

November 26, 1934 - June 19, 2017

Albany-Sheila Butler McVeigh entered Eternal Life Monday, June 19, 2017 at the Teresian House.

Sheila was born in 1934 in South Troy, NY and was the beloved daughter of the late George H. and Julia O'Keefe Butler. She graduated in 1952 from Catholic Central High School, an institution that was always near and dear to her heart.

She married William "Bill" E. McVeigh in 1956 and they moved to Norfolk, VA while he was serving in the US Navy. Upon their return to Albany, Sheila assisted her husband in operating the McVeigh Funeral Home, as Bill stepped in representing the 3rd generation of family operation.

Sheila dedicated her life to serving the developmentally disabled community. She was a founding parent of CAMARY, an agency for the developmentally disabled, and she was a longtime board member of Living Resources.

Sheila was proud of her Irish heritage and loved traveling . She visited Ireland

a number of times, and traveled extensively throughout Europe, the Caribbean and the Middle East.

She was the wife of William E. "Bill" McVeigh; mother of William E. McVeigh, Jr, Brian J. McVeigh (Lana), Kristin McVeigh (David Parente) and Laurel A. Gent (Dean); grandmother of Anthony David Parente, Kyla Marie Parente, and Eva Christine Parente, Alexander Michael Gent and Shannon Marie Gent; sister of Richard K. Butler (Carolyn), Michael J. Butler (Sherri) and the late George H. Butler (Hazel); also survived by several nieces and nephews.

The McVeigh family would like to express their sincere gratitude to all the staff at Teresian House who through their compassion and care helped guide us through the final journey of her life.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Sheila's family Friday, June 23, 2107 4:00 to 8:00 pm in McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany.

Funeral services Saturday at 8:00 am in McVeigh Funeral Home, Albany thence to Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany where Sheila's Funeral Mass will be concelebrated.

The Rite of Committal will be held in Albany Rural Cemetery, Menands, NY, immediately following the Funeral Mass.

To leave a special message for the family, light a candle, obtain directions or view other helpful services please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Those wishing to remember Sheila and the McVeigh Family in a special way may send a contribution to Living Resources, 300 Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, NY 12203 or New York State Funeral Directors Association Tribute Foundation, 1 South Family Drive, Albany, NY 12205

Cemetery Details

Albany Rural Cemetery

68 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY 12204

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 23. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
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Albany, NY 12206
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Service

JUN 24. 9:00 AM (ET)

Blessed Sacrament Church
607 Central Ave (Father John Bradley Way)
Albany, NY 12206
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info@mcveighfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Sheila Butler McVeigh*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - June 22, 2017 at 04:03 PM



Dear Ones, What a beautiful tribute to your Wife and Mom and Grandmother. Sheila's love and compassion was evident in her own family and also in the families of others who were helped by her untiring efforts to make life better for people with disabilities. With love, Gay and Wally Wojtowicz and family

Gay and Wally Wojtowicz - June 23, 2017 at 05:14 AM



*My cousin Sheila. I only got to meet you a few times because of the miles between us but we kept in regular contact via old-fashioned letters! Love and still miss you dearly. I would like to keep in contact with Bill and the rest of your lovely family but unfortunately don't have a recent address for Bill! If anyone sees this message please could you contact me via iamannrichards@gmail.com Many thanks in advance. I would love to reconnect with Bill as both Bryn and myself made a good friend there.
Lots of love from
Cousin Ann in England*

Ann Richards - March 25, 2020 at 06:19 AM



“ *Sheila Butler McVeigh*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM

AE

“ *Ann Richards (cousin From England) sent a virtual gift in memory of Sheila Butler McVeigh*



Ann Richards (cousin from England) - July 25, 2017 at 07:13 AM

AE

My Dear cousin, Sheila. What can I say that every-one else hasn't already said? My heart and prayers go out to all family and friends.

Sheila, my zaney, beautiful cousin. She told me so much about the family I never got to know. how, when I was a little girl she persuaded her Mum (my Fathers sister) to try to get me out to America so that she had a little sister all of her own. It never happened as it wasn't as easy as she first thought! She would also tell me how her Mum and Aunts came to America. One came over from Ireland, made some money to send home for the next in line to come, then they did the same. Only problem was, when Aunt Julia got to America, she met and married Sheilas Father. She was not then in a position to send funds for my Father, Patric, to join them. She had such a fantastic memory that she could recall so much information but I can't remember half of what she told me!

I will miss you sooo very much my sweet Sheila and all of our hour-long phone calls.

All I can now say is, heaven had better be ready for this crazy Angel!

Love You to the farthest star and back xxx

Ann Richards (cousin from England) - July 25, 2017 at 07:52 AM

CC

“ *Bill and family,
We were so saddened to hear of your wife's passing. May God Bless and comfort you in this sad time and grant you His peace. Your remembrances of all the wonderful times together will keep her memory fresh in your hearts and minds. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
With His Love and ours....*



Carolyn Connolly - June 23, 2017 at 12:55 PM



“ *Dave & Kristin, our sincere condolences on Mrs. Mcveigh. We are out of state this week end so will not be able to attend the wake or funeral. However, our thoughts are with you & the family. Hope all goes well. Will return early next week. Hope to see you then. Gary & Regina.*

Regina Ahl - June 23, 2017 at 11:38 AM

JM

“ *To Bill (who we just visited with at the recent "wedding shower" for Matt) and to Laurel and the rest of the McVeigh family our thoughts and prayers are with you on the loss of Sheila McVeigh, wife and mother!!*

John & Kathy McLaughlin

John McLaughlin - June 23, 2017 at 10:32 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - June 23, 2017 at 09:15 AM

JC

“ *Rodger and I are deeply saddened by Shiela's passing. She was a beautiful person and clearly a 'woman of substance'. Our condolences to the entire McVeigh Family and especially to Billy. I hope all of you will give Billy millions of kisses and hugs for Shiela. She loved her family and was an extraordinary Mom to Billy. Billy made her heart sing and she always demonstrated profound love for him. She also served with pure love and passion as the president of the "Little Eva" Baby Sitters Club. Sheila is in our thoughts and we wish her lovely family nothing but love and happiness in the future.*

Justine Cook - June 23, 2017 at 09:07 AM

SC

“ Sheila was a women you inspired to be like, she was a mother of 4 who naturally all had a set of changes unique to themselves but she never let the outside world slow them down, instead she help the world see everyone's potential. I know she looks at all of her children with such pride that all of you turned into such beautiful, strong people.

Stephanie Carpenter - June 22, 2017 at 07:09 PM

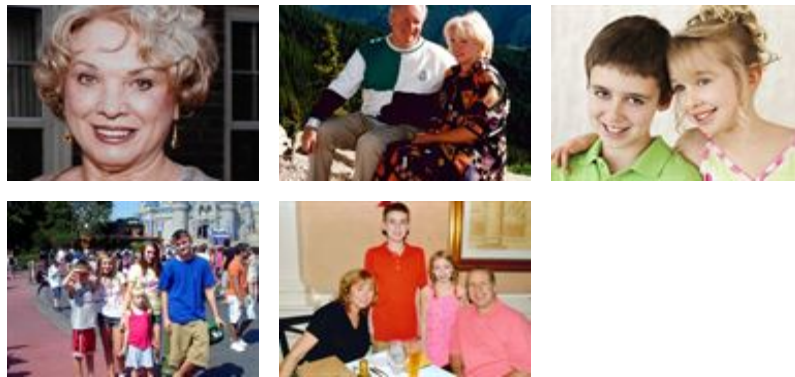
LO

“ Bill and family I'm so sorry for your lost. Bill you were a dedicated husband, that brought a smile to Sheila's face when you walked into the room. It was a joy meeting you. My condolences to your family.
Loretta

Loretta - June 22, 2017 at 04:54 PM

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McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - June 22, 2017 at 03:51 PM

TK

“ We are very sorry to hear of the passing of sheila. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all. The Kilmer Family

Todd G Kilmer - June 22, 2017 at 09:01 AM

TT

“ *Bill, Kristin and Dave -*

We are on the Cape with family for vacation, but wanted to extend our deepest sympathies on your loss. Sheila is and will remain very much in our thoughts and prayers. Please extend our sympathies to the entire family as well.

Tom and Leah Tyrrell

Tom Tyrrell - June 22, 2017 at 08:38 AM

BC

“ *Barbara Coalts lit a candle in memory of Sheila Butler McVeigh*



Barbara Coalts - June 22, 2017 at 07:43 AM

ST

“ *On behalf of Academy of the Holy Names, our deepest sympathy during this time of loss and sorrow. May all your wonderful memories sustain you during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with Sheila and the McVeigh Family.*

*Susan K. Tobin
Director of Development
Academy of the Holy Names*

Susan K. Tobin - June 22, 2017 at 07:35 AM

AW

“ Our Grandson Greg said it best: "she was a funny and smart person and when she was at her best she told great stories! " Sheila was more like my sister than just a friend - so many memories going back to 3rd grade at St. Joseph's School. I will never forget you - as you had asked me, Sheila! Love, Ann

Ann White - June 21, 2017 at 03:39 PM

WS

“ Dear Bill and family. So sorry to hear of Sheila's passing. As children, we often shared a our summer vacations at our Great Aunt Mollie and Uncle Tom's home in Schenectady. Many nights I would spend "the night" at Sheila's house on Grant Avenue. Long-time precious memories.

Prayers and sincere condolences to you and your entire family.

Winnie (Boland) Stoberski

Winnie (Boland) Stoberski - June 21, 2017 at 02:31 PM

EB

“ Uncle Bill, Bill Jr., Brian, Kristin, Laurel, and grandchildren, So sad to hear of Aunt Sheila's passing. She was like a legacy in our family. My father spoke of her often with great love. She lived and talked about our Irish heritage so strongly that it will always be a part of the family for future generations. For that I am grateful! Rembering her fondly. With Love to all -
Erin Butler-Livolsi

Erin A Butler - June 21, 2017 at 05:19 AM

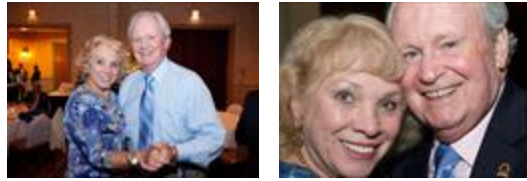
JM

“ *Bill and family I am so sorry to hear this news. It was always pleasure to be with Sheila at the NYSFDA events. On behalf of my wife Cindy and I our deepest sympathies.*

Joe Martin - June 20, 2017 at 03:59 PM

FN

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Friends at NYSFDA - June 20, 2017 at 02:52 PM