



Shirley Evelyn Smith

July 3, 1925 - December 20, 2014

ALBANY - Shirley Evelyn Smith, 89, daughter of the late Joseph Lamb and the late Edith Pangburn Lamb, passed away peacefully in her sleep on December 20, 2014, surrounded at her home by her entire immediate family.

She is survived by her daughters, Sheryl (Douglas) Lindsey of Albany, NY; and Susan (Lydia) Smith-Franks of Hamden, CT, grandchildren Jordan Lindsey, Morgan Lindsey, Alexander Smith-Franks and Ian Smith-Franks, and numerous nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

A native and life-long resident of Albany, she was predeceased by her husband of 47 years, James Lawrence "Just Lovable" Smith. Together, they successfully operated Albany Aquarium for nearly 50 years until retirement. As a team, Jim was the fire and the spark, but Shirley was the rock that always held family and business together. Everyone knew they could turn to her if (or when) they were in a jam, and she was always the best mom, mother-in-law and friend that anyone could ever ask or hope for.

Her life was centered around family, friends, work and fun, and she loved to travel whenever the opportunity was presented. In recent years, she took great delight in being an adoring grandmother. Shirley spent a lifetime creating countless fabulous memories for all who knew her.

Shirley's youthful looks changed a bit over time, but her inner beauty never faded, and shone through clearly for her entire life.

We're so fortunate to have had her in our lives, and her memory will be with us always.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend her visitation Tuesday, December 23, 2014 4:00 to 7:00 pm in McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany and also gather Wednesday, December 24, 2014 at 10:00 am at the funeral home to proceed to Memory Gardens Cemetery for her burial.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to a local Humane Society chapter or animal shelter, or to Friends of Camp Little Notch, www.FriendsofCLN.org

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

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens Cemetery

983 Watervliet Shaker Road
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **23**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
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Albany, NY 12206
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Service

DEC **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Shirley Evelyn Smith*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - December 23, 2014 at 10:17 AM



“ *Shirley Evelyn Smith*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *To family: May the words at Isaiah 25:8 bring you comfort during this difficult time " He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all face."*



Montana Mackenzie - October 19, 2015 at 06:28 PM



“ *Mike Miller lit a candle in memory of Shirley Evelyn Smith*



mike miller - December 23, 2014 at 01:13 PM

MM

*She was a joy to know and to work for and with. She will be missed.
Mike & Karen Miller*

mike miller - December 23, 2014 at 01:14 PM



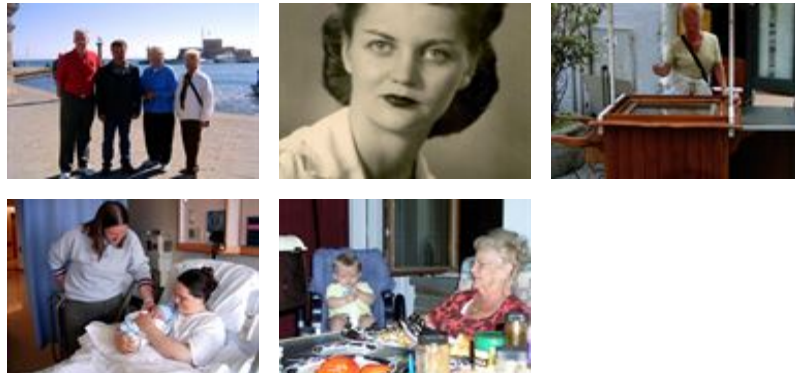
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McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - December 23, 2014 at 09:58 AM



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McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - December 22, 2014 at 02:30 PM

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“ Shirley-

Thank you for sharing the beautiful gift of Susan to my life. I have treasured becoming friends with her, Lydia, Alex and Ian! In the recent months, your family has taught me much about grace and strength as we move through the seasons of our lives.

With love, Seneca



seneca - December 22, 2014 at 01:05 PM

DO

“ Dear Sherry, Doug, Susan, Lydia and Children:

We are deeply sorry for your loss of Aunt Shirley. We join you in grieving our lovely, lovely Lady. No matter the timing of death, the mind and the heart find it difficult to align. Life seems unreal for a while. We take joy in recalling our times spent together as well as the pleasure of her company, her beauty inside and out, her generosity, her sense of humor and her grace. We despair that we will no longer add to those memories, nevertheless we will always have them and we feel gratitude for each moment that we spent together. We considered ourselves privileged to be in her company and that of her family. We intend to support you at this time in the hope of creating new memories together in her name in the times to come.

*Love,
Donna, Tony and Antoinette Parisi*

Donna - December 21, 2014 at 09:15 PM



GG

“ Genevieve Gallagher lit a candle in memory of Shirley Evelyn Smith



Genevieve Gallagher - December 21, 2014 at 07:18 PM

NG

“ Dear Sherry, Doug, Sue, Lydia and children,
Our. Deepest sympathies on the loss of your Mom and
Grandmother. We have so many fond memories of Aunt Shirley, she
will be remembered fondly. It was wonderful to watch her enjoy her
grandchildren. We are feel fortunate to have spent so many fun
times together. We will miss her.
Love, Dimitri, Nancy, Angela and Genevieve Grivas

Nancy Grivas - December 21, 2014 at 06:51 PM

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“ Nancy Grivas lit a candle in memory of
Shirley Evelyn Smith



Nancy Grivas - December 21, 2014 at 06:43 PM