



Shirley R. McCoy

January 7, 1935 - April 11, 2017

Shirley Mitchell McCoy was born January 7, 1935 to Howard and Ruth Mitchell in Durant, Mississippi. She joined older sisters Dorothy and Mildred. Her arrival surprised some family members who didn't realize "Mama Ruth" was pregnant. Whether it was running for Mayor or running Ridge to River, Mom was full of surprises.

Mom had a great presence, she was known for her kindness, grace, intelligence, musical talent, creativity and her ability to consistently put others first. Her work as a nurse benefited many throughout her life. Many neighbors in the valley turned to her for medical direction even before contacting their own physician. She prayed with many people at the most difficult moments in their lives. She did this so well and gave so much comfort, it was amazing to witness. Her staunch Christian faith molded her journeys and lifelong choices.

Mom played many roles in her life and served too many people to count. She was a devout daughter and also a wonderful mother, wife, friend, leader, nurse, volunteer, musician, minister and most of all a child of God. Mom came to Wenatchee in 1955 to work as a nurse with her sister Dorothy Johnson at the Wenatchee Clinic. She met George McCoy at a Christmas party and two months later, on Lincoln's birthday in 1956, they were married at the Cashmere Presbyterian Church. Marcus arrived in March of 1957 and Matthew was delivered on Christmas Eve 1959. Marian arrived in October of

1961 and Martha followed in October of 1962.

Mom loved the Wenatchee Valley. She had many friends throughout Chelan County and beyond. Many wonderful women welcomed Mom to Peshastin. Juanita Willging, Bernice Smith, Elaine McCoy and Joan Wightman deserve special mention. Shirley is survived by her sister Mildred and by her children Marc (Peggy), Matt (Marnie), Mari Headley and Marti (Jay) Bryant. Her nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren meant the world to her. She would sacrifice anything on their behalf and loved them with all her heart. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents Howard and Ruth Mitchell, Dorothy and Irwin Johnson, brother-in-law Burdette Montague and niece Linda McCullough. Mom loved and was loved by all her nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 22 at 2 pm at Light in the Valley Community, 8455 Main Street, Peshastin, WA. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Light in the Valley Community or to the charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

APR **22**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Light in the Valley Community
8455 Main Street
Peshastin, WA

Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Shirley R. McCoy



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - April 21, 2017 at 12:34 PM

BA

*Brought tears to my eyes. Thank you for this video! What a fantastic few minutes. Please know my heart is heavy for and with all of you. I so wish I could get up there!
All my love to you all and to Shirley....bobbi*

bobbi Agens - April 21, 2017 at 10:56 PM



“ 82 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - April 20, 2017 at 07:59 PM



“ Love you. I'm so glad you're my grandmother, you made my life full of humor and conviction.

Casie Fletcher - April 19, 2017 at 06:45 PM

RD

“ I worked with Shirley at the hospital. She was fun and always able to break the tension which comes with stressful work. Later I saw her at Riverwest. Prayers for her family. She is at peace now.
Roberta Morse Daniels

Roberta Daniels - April 17, 2017 at 02:38 PM

SD

“ I worked with Shirley when I was a new LPN and she was such a great role model. Very patient and a great teacher! Sending condolences to the family!

Sue Duvaul - April 17, 2017 at 10:32 AM

JJ

“ What a blessing to be Shirley's nephew. I was so proud of her, not only as my aunt, but as a dear friend. I was fortunate to have seen her last in September of 2014, and was so pleased to see her smile at my appearance at River West. But the greatest thing is that as Christian, she is home now, and I look forward to seeing her again; for Christians, we never really meet for the last time.
Jim Johnson

Jim Johnson - April 17, 2017 at 12:13 AM



“ She was and and will always be a beautiful soul!!

Debbie Martof - April 16, 2017 at 12:01 AM

ET

“ Shirley was a dynamic volunteer leader in the Republican Party. She understood the role of partisan politics and spent countless hours studying issues and taking a stand.

We can never forget how this lady helped make this county proud.

Sincerely,

Earl Tilly

Earl Tilly - April 13, 2017 at 11:42 AM