



Virginia T. Shoemaker

January 4, 2015

Entered Into Eternal Rest

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SHOEMAKER

Virginia T. Shoemaker of Columbus, Ohio died Sunday January 4, 2015 at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center. She was preceded in death by her husband Jack, to whom she was married 57 years. Also preceding her death were her parents, Frank and Ruth Taggart, sister, Mary Deetz and brother, Frank Taggart III. She is survived by her three children, son, Ronald J. Shoemaker of Arlington, Virginia, daughter, Suzanne Simpson (Martin) of Spokane, Washington and Judy Edwards (Larry) of Centennial, Colorado. She was the loving grandmother to six grandchildren, Bronwyn Worthington (Robert), Jessica Johnson (Cory), Arthur Simpson (Rachael) and William Simpson (Dana), Elizabeth Fielden and Mark Edwards. She also has five great grandchildren, David Worthington, Claire Worthington, Derartu, Eden and Maya Johnson. She is also survived by Dorothy Taggart and Diane Gibson {Billy), Bob (Diane), Tom (Sonia) and Gary (Jennifer) Deetz and Arlene, Kent and Craig (Jane) Shoemaker plus many nieces, nephews and friends. Virginia (Ginny) graduated from Wooster High School and The Ohio State University with a degree in elementary education. Her graduate work was completed at Capital University with a certification in both reading and computer science. Throughout her life, she greatly enjoyed working with children and served as a scout leader, Sunday school and vacation church

school teacher. She had a teaching career of 30 years with The Columbus Public Schools. The last 12 years of her career, she was an instrumental member of the CLEAR program, using computers, activity centers and ecological pond to help motivate reluctant readers. She won a grant to develop a phonics program for beginning readers. She used some of the material from this program to teach reading on "WBNS TV" during "Schools Without Schools." Upon retirement in 1990, she volunteered as a teacher at North High School Educational Center where she taught English as a second language. She also volunteered in several interest groups of Clintonville Woman's Club along with other active groups, Delta Delta Delta @ OSU, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Twig, Junior Symphony, Methodist Women and numerous charities. She served as president of Clintonville Woman's Club in 1997 and 1998 and as chairman of the board of trustees from 2001 to 2006. Ginny was a long time loving caregiver for her husband Jack for 25 years as well as serving as a caregiver for her own mother, Ruth, and Jack's mother also named Ruth. She was passionate about the arts. Ginny was a painter, predominately practicing in the medium of oil paint. In 1994 she established an oil painting group called "The Rembrandts" which she instructed for 17 years. She was an avid bridge player and became active in duplicate bridge at The Columbus Bridge Center where she met Dr. E. Thomas Boles who became her bridge partner and close friend. For many years she was an active member of Maple Grove United Methodist Church, 7 West Henderson Rd., Columbus, Ohio where the funeral service will be held 10:30a.m. on Monday, January 12th. The Rev. Glenn Schwerdtfeger will be officiating. Family will receive friends from 1-4 p.m. Sunday January 11th at RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, WORTHINGTON CHAPEL, 515 High St. Worthington. Contributions may be made to Clintonville Woman's Club, 3951 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43214 in Ginny's memory.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JAN 11. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home
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Worthington, OH 43085
(614) 885-4006
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<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

JAN 12. 10:30 AM (ET)

Maple Grove United Methodist Church
7 West Henderson Rd.
Columbus, OH 43214

Tribute Wall



“ *Virginia T. Shoemaker*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Ginny was a lovely lady who played bridge frequently at the Bridge Center. When she first started coming there, in the late 1990's, she leaned towards friends who were equally kind and generous in nature. As the director in one of Ginny's regular games, I admired her sensitivity to others. She never complained, was always in a good mood, and loved to talk about her neighborhood, where I also grew up. Because of a recent surgery, I did not realize that she was ill. Ginny has many friends who will miss her in the bridge games in which she played. May she rest peacefully as she enters her next life.*

Joyce Penn



Joyce Penn - January 09, 2015 at 05:34 PM



“ *Anita S. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Virginia T. Shoemaker.*



Anita S. - January 09, 2015 at 01:15 PM