



Sheila Harris Neuby

September 7, 1929 - December 13, 2017

Sheila Harris Neuby, 88, passed away at St. Mary's Hospital on Wednesday, December 13th. She was born on September 7, 1929 to Margaret Georgia (nee Harris) and William Roy Freborg, both of Kankakee. Sheila was raised by her maternal grandparents Earl C. and Bertha L. Harris.

On May 23, 1953, she married Harold B. Neuby who preceded her in death in June of 2015. Also deceased is their son, William, Died April 28, 1954.

Surviving is their daughter, Barbara L. Neuby, Ph.D., Professor of Public Administration at Kennesaw State University in Kennesaw, Georgia, and sister-in-law Grace Neuby Chisholm (and family) of Gretna, Louisiana, nephew Ronald Palmateer, wife Gloria, and family of Bourbonnais.

Sheila had many special friends including her friend of 70 years, Dorothy Schmitz, of Bradley, Dorothy and Ruben Riegel of Bonfield, Ms. Linda Fritz, Mrs. Sue Chouinard, Ms. Cindy Kallsen, Ms. Barbara McGrath, Mr. William Klopp, and Ms. Becky Bellman, all of Kankakee, and Ms. Judy Nikodem of Bourbonnais.

Sheila spent most of her working life in the paper industry. Employers include the Tampa Tribune-Times, Tampa, Florida; Imperial International Learning, where she helped design children's books and educational materials; and Riverwoods International, of Kankakee and from which she retired as Graphic Arts Coordinator in the manufacture of folding cartons. She was also partner and part owner of the family printing business, Economy Printing, where she did all the design work until 1996.

A lover of all animals, Sheila was especially fond of cats. She never met a cat she didn't like. A memorial service will be celebrated at a later date and family and friends will be notified to celebrate her life. Remembrances may be made to the Humane Foundation of Kankakee or to the donor's choice, in her name. Sheila enriched the lives of those who knew her and if you didn't know Sheila, you missed something. May God rest her soul.

Tribute Wall



“ *Sheila Harris Neuby*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *Sheila came into my life about 5 years ago, though I had met her when I was friends with her daughter Barb. Sheila had lots of interesting tidbits that she shared with me. We had many phone talks about numerous subjects. When I visited her at her home, we always had good conversation. In some ways she acted like a mother to me (my mom died 9 years ago) and yet many times it was more like a friend. Getting to know her proved to be a rewarding experience!*

Becky Bellman - December 19, 2017 at 08:42 PM

OH

“ Mrs. Shiela Neuby,

I preferred and you allowed me to address you as Morher Neuby. You will me missed. I referred to you as Mother Neuby because you were always so kind and nice to me and my son. I am honored to have known you.

Mother Neuby's daughter, Barbara was my neighbor in the late 90s. It was a few years later that I met her. Upon meeting her I understood why Barbara was so intelligent and kind. She was a person of good character with a great sense of humor. She was a positive influence on my life and I am a better person for having known her. She lives on in our hearts and mind. She lives on in through her daughter for when I see Barbara I see and hear her mother. I think of her and her challenges over the last few years but always the "Good Trooper" I personally never heard her complain. After blessing us with Mother Neuby's presence for 88 years she is now at home with the Lord.

When my mom passed I found the following scripture of great comfort.

"6Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:

7(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)

8We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

2nd Corinthians 5 -8

Absence from the body is to be present with the Lord. ❤️🙏

Ocie Hardy - December 18, 2017 at 03:46 PM

JA

“ I have been a friend of Sheila's daughter Barb for over 20 years. During that time I got to meet and visit with Sheila, her husband, and Barb a few times when they would visit my town of Evansville, IN. She knew that Barb's and my friendship was important, and always treated me with such kindness and respect. Something sweet that we shared in common was a dear love for cats. We would tell stories about the ones in our life at any given time. She tried hard to care for her outdoor kitty friends even when it became so physically difficult for her. When I had health troubles, she was very sympathetic. We spoke on the phone only a few months ago, and I wouldn't have known by her voice that she was suffering so much. I know that Barb has done everything in her power to advocate for her mother's final days, and now Sheila's pain has stopped. May her family and friends find some peace in knowing that. I am so glad to have known her!!

Joanne Artz - December 18, 2017 at 09:47 AM

NE

“ Sheila was a kind caring person. Talking with her would brighten your day. I feel blessed to have had her in my life. I will miss her.
Nan Ellis

Nan Ellis - December 18, 2017 at 07:43 AM

MI

“ I'm so sorry for your loss, and send my condolences. This is one of the hardest times in a family's life, always know that others care. Most important God cares. He has promised a time when he will "swallow up death forever and he will wipe the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25:8) Praying for your family, and praying you will find comfort in this promise.

Michelle - December 16, 2017 at 09:35 AM

SC

“ I had the opportunity to meet this incredible lady about a year and a half ago. I cannot even put into words how fast we became great friends. We discovered we had some things in common. I will very much miss my friend, but with all her pain and troubles she can now rest. She is whole and dancing with the Lord. Even thou we recently had a chat in the hospital about dancing which she said, she never did back in the day. Let me tell you, she showed Barbara and I some very good moves those last few days in her bed at St. Mary's. Barbara and I got the biggest laugh out of her doing that. Her heart was the warmest & caring, her smile was sweet and contagious, her voice was soft (unless you were a telemarketer) and she was the best wheelchair driver on this side of the Mississippi. (Look Out) She was the best brownie maker and she made a great cup of TEA! That is the time I will miss the most, having tea and chatting about whatever. You are a servant of the Lord Mrs. Nueby your job is done. Now your on to much bigger things with Our Lord and Savior! (show him those moves) Now, may the God of Hope fill you with all Joy and Peace! Love and blessings, Sue, until we meet again my friend!

Sue Chouinard - December 15, 2017 at 02:51 PM

SC

“ Sue Chouinard lit a candle in memory of Sheila Harris Neuby



Sue Chouinard - December 15, 2017 at 12:58 PM

RW

“ I had the privilege and pleasure of meeting Sheila Neuby several years ago, when her daughter Barbara and I were in grad school together. When I met her, I understood how my dear and best friend Barbara came to be so incredibly intelligent and knowledgeable about any subject that came up: She clearly got it from her Mother. I will always treasure a gift Sheila gave me a couple of years ago, a beautiful blue bowl, and I will always regret that we didn't have more time together, more conversations, more sharing. Rest in peace, Shelia, in the care of the One who made you all the good things you were!
Robin White

Robin White - December 15, 2017 at 12:29 PM

BM

“ Barbara McGrath lit a candle in memory of Sheila Harris Neuby



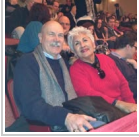
Barbara McGrath - December 15, 2017 at 09:38 AM

TJ

“ Mrs Nueby will be missed greatly. She always was an enjoy to talk with. So sorry for your loss. Rest in peace Mrs. Nueby ♡



Teri Jackson - December 14, 2017 at 08:49 PM



“ Hugs and prayers for God's peace and comfort at this sad loss.



Mary Quiroz Thomson - December 14, 2017 at 11:52 AM

MH

“ MR MRS H lit a candle in memory of Sheila Harris Neuby



MR MRS H - December 14, 2017 at 09:02 AM

CK

Mrs Neuby was a dear friend and neighbor for 20 plus years. She will be sadly missed. Cindy Kallsen and family.

Cindy Kallsen - December 20, 2017 at 10:59 AM