



Shirley Ann Henderson

November 14, 1924 - November 26, 2014

Shirley Ann Michaelis Shimmin Henderson passed away in the early morning on Wednesday, November 26, 2014. Born in Cheyenne, Wyoming to Ervilla Ethel Hughes Michaelis and William Harry Michaelis, she celebrated her 90th birthday on November 14.

In her teens, she and her family moved from Wyoming to Southern California. After attending the University of Southern California, she became a dental hygienist and worked at that profession, with a break to raise her four children, until she was 70 years old. She was the first licensed dental hygienist in the state of Utah. Shirley and her first husband, John Thomas Shimmin Jr., and their children moved to Ohio in the fall of 1957, where she lived for nearly 50 years. Widowed in 1973, she married Richard John Henderson in 1978. They eventually moved to California to be near children. After Dick's death in 2009, Shirley lived independently, continuing to play bridge and to enjoy spending time with family and friends. At age 88, she moved from California to be with family in Florida and then in Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother, William Owen Michaelis, and her two husbands. All her life, Shirley lived with integrity, made her family and friends laugh with her sharp wit, and encouraged her children by never losing her faith in their abilities and value as individuals.

She will be greatly missed by her four children, Karen Louise Shimmin Davis, John Thomas Shimmin, Robert Owen Shimmin, and Kathleen Ann Shimmin Bushak; eleven grandchildren; and two great grandchildren, all of whom will always remember her with love and pride.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the following:

The National Cathedral: nationalcathedral.org

Children's Hospital Los Angeles: chla.org

Meals on Wheels: mowaa.org

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