

Obituary

Shirley U. Rodrigues

July 7, 1926 – September 3, 2016

Shirley Ulmer Rodrigues passed away at age 90 in Bend.

She was born on July 7, 1926, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to William and Bessie Ulmer. She grew up in Cincinnati, attending and graduating from Withrow High School in 1944. While working in the accounting department of a local auto dealership she met Sherwood Rodrigues, whom she would marry in 1952. They had three children while in Cincinnati.

The family moved to California in 1958, eventually settling in Los Altos, into a home that Shirley designed. Two more children were born during this time. Shirley and Sherwood were divorced in 1966, and Shirley returned to the workforce in the early years of the development of Silicon Valley, working for companies Advantek, Fairchild Semiconductor, and Schlumberger. In the early 1970s Shirley and family moved to Milpitas and then to Sunnyvale in the late '70s.

In 1980, when the children had grown and left the nest, Shirley moved to the Sierra Nevada foothill community of Paradise, California. She worked in a tax and bookkeeping office as a secretary and bookkeeper, and then for Feather River Hospital as a hospital admittance clerk. She retired from Feather River Hospital in 2002. In 2004 she moved to Wilsonville, Oregon, and then again to Central Oregon in 2009, to be closer to her eldest son and his wife.



Her Christian faith was always an important part of Shirley's life, and she was an active member and leader everywhere she lived — Madisonville Methodist Episcopal Church (Cincinnati, OH), St. Timothy's Episcopal Church (Mountain View, CA), St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church (Paradise, CA), St. Francis Episcopal Church (Wilsonville, OR), Church of The Transfiguration Episcopal Church (Sisters, OR).

She is survived by her brothers Bill, David and Sam; by her children Ted (Gayle), Mark, Amy, Judy (Jim), Anthony (Kim), and grandchildren, great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her sister, Betty. Memorial contributions may be made to: The Sisters of The Transfiguration in Cincinnati, Ohio, or Partners in Care Hospice, in Bend, Oregon. Services will be held at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Mountain View, California on Friday, September 23. Burial will be near her parents in Arlington Memorial Gardens, in Cincinnati.

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'Taste' event supports Furry Friends

Furry Friends has received some outstanding items for the raffle at the Taste of Sisters.

Broken Top Veterinary has donated a gift certificate for cold laser treatments, an innovative way to manage pain, reduce inflammation and speed recovery for your pet, or VOM (Veterinary Orthopedic Manipulation) six sessions, including consultation, a \$350 value.

"We have a beautiful basket donated from Karen Keady of Essentials full of Éminence Organic Skin Care products, valued at \$208," said Furry Friends Founder Kiki Dolson. "We've received a fun vintage dog quilt, donated by Barefoot in Sisters, and a framed Three Sisters poster by Paul Leighton."

The drawings will be held the evening of the event. Tickets are \$2 each.

You choose the jar or jars into which you would like your drawing tickets to be entered.

The fourth annual Taste of Sisters is set for Friday, September 16, starting at 6 p.m. in the open courtyard at Eurosports, 223 E. Hood Ave.

In past years, more than \$8,000 has been raised to help Sisters Kiwanis Food Bank and Furry Friends Foundation.

So far, 17 Sisters businesses — and counting

— will be donating the prepared food with a variety of dishes that include vegan, vegetarian, meat, dairy-free and gluten-free options. There are still opportunities for eating establishments to participate, according to organizer Karen Kassy.

She can be contacted through *The Nugget*.

"It's really a win-win for everyone," Kassy said. "Participants get to eat wonderful food at a sliding-scale price of paying what is comfortable for them: \$20-\$60 per ticket. Our Sisters-area food establishments reach new people and remind everyone of how great their meals are. And, most important, the Food Bank and Furry Friends Foundation receive money that enables them to help in

our community all year long."

Entertainment will be provided by Beatles' cover band Juju Eyeball. With a repertoire of more than 80 Beatles songs, they will play three sets of favorites and danceable Beatles songs.

Central Oregon Aerial Arts provides jaw-dropping entertainment as performers hang from 25-foot silk ribbons and perform acrobatic feats in the air.

Advance ticket purchase is encourage at Eurosports or online at Bendticket.com. Tickets may be available at the door if it does not sell out.

Organizers are still accepting donated items from local businesses for the drawings; if you have an item to donate, contact Kiki Dolson at 541-549-9941 for pickup.

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