

Shirley E. (Phillips) Chapman 1933 – 2021

Shirley died of natural causes at her home in Kent, Washington, on Wednesday, December 29th, 2021. She was 88 years old. We ask for prayers for her family; her husband of 66 years, James B. Chapman, six children, Mark Chapman (Penny), Pam Argotsinger (Lynn), David Chapman (Debbie), Emily Omholt (Roger), Nan Sargeant (Todd) and Peter Chapman. She will also be greatly missed by her 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

As a 1940's teenage convert to the church in Ridgefield, Washington, she found great purpose and began an epic journey of spiritual exploration. She and her beloved sister, Charlotte Zimmerly, immersed themselves in the work of the church; teaching Sunday School, helping at camps and reunions, tirelessly contributing at work parties, church cleanings and playing piano in worship services. Shirley attended Ridgefield (Southridge), Woodland Park, Crystal Springs, Auburn and Renton Congregations. She epitomized the life-long learner, studying theology, psychology, nutrition, history, multicultural topics, mindfulness and social justice and was a passionate advocate for children and their experience in the world. We ask that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Outreach International: <https://outreach-international.org>

Condolences to the family can be addressed to: James Chapman, 26405 103rd AVE SE, Kent WA 98030.