



Shiela Victoria Strudwick

December 7, 2011

Shiela Victoria Strudwick, a long-time resident of the Chesapeake area, died Wednesday the 7th of December surrounded by her beloved family. She was born in 1948 at Ft. Lee, Petersburg, Virginia, graduated from Duval High School in Glenn Dale Maryland in 1966 and attended Prince George Community College. Shiela began her work career at the Smithsonian. After working there a short time, she spent the rest of her career supporting the U.S. Government within the National Security Agency and the U.S. Navy.

Most of her career was spent with Naval Housing Management. There she travelled and helped to ensure our nation's service members and their families had the quality in housing that they deserved. After well over 30 years of federal employment, she retired in early 2003. After her retirement, Shiela graciously became a daycare provider and preschool teacher for her grandson. This loving act of kindness not only provided him a solid foundation for his life, but also a very strong bond between them both. Shiela, Vickie to her family, was always willing to try something new. Growing up, she was always willing to prove that she could do anything her brother could do. She rode horses as a girl and motorcycles as a young mother. Later in life, she took up golfing and bowling and continued to become more and more proficient at both. During her retirement, Shiela followed her father's love of gardening and became a Master Gardener and then a member of The Backyard Gardeners local chapter. Sheila was passionate and knowledgeable

about organic and eco-friendly living and was always there to help others learn about the importance of both.

She was a quiet, direct, smart, graceful, and classy woman, often kidding to make a point. Shiela had many friends and loving family members and she will be missed greatly by all of them.

Shiela was predeceased by her Mother, Elizabeth Jenkins. She is survived by her father, Edward Jenkins; her brother, David Jenkins and his wife, Jane Jenkins; her son, Jason Strudwick and his wife, Stephanie Strudwick; her grandson, Ryan Strudwick; her former husband, Jim Strudwick; and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations or memorial gifts be made to the Norfolk Botanical Gardens or the American Cancer Society.

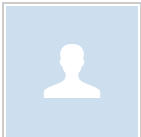
A gathering to celebrate Shiela's life will be held in Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel Saturday from 11:00 -12 noon. On-line condolences may be made at www.lovingfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ Jason, Stephanie, and Ryan,
Since we received the word of Shiela's passing through Jim, you have all been in our prayers. We will continue to pray for you as the days go by and the Christmas holidays approach. We know first hand how devastating the unexpected death of someone so near and dear can be. Grief feels like a mortal wound and overwhelms the senses. We encourage you to reach out to family and closest friends as you mourn. Let your tears flow freely in the days to come., and speak often of the wonderful memories you made with your mom/grandma. These two things help to heal the heart. Most importantly, remember that your Heavenly Father is always near you. He is the one who brings healing and comfort to the brokenhearted through His love, compassion, and provision for your every need.
Love to you all,
Carol and Bill ~~Carol and Bill Howard~~

December 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ With deepest sympathy, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Anthony & Aurianna Nicholas ~~Anthony Nicholas~~

December 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I, too, am very saddened to learn of Shiela's untimely passing. Among many things we shared in the workplace, we had in common the experience of a lifetime when we each took our turn living and working in Keflavik, Iceland for two months during our Housing careers. Jason, your Mom spoke often of you and I'm sure she will continue to watch over you from above. May she rest in peace and may you and your family be blessed with strength during this very sad and difficult time.##imported-begin##Gail Proffitt##imported-end##

December 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I am deeply saddened by Shiela's passing and my heart goes out to her family. I will always remember her as a dear friend and co-worker. Her dry sense of humor has made me giggle many times over the years and I will always think of her with a smile.

Blessings and prayers.##imported-begin##Sherry Clarke##imported-end##

December 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Jason and Family, I was saddened to read of your mother's death. It has been approximately 25 plus years since we spent time together. My memories are of a kind and sweet lady. I worked with your dad in 1981. You were a little fellow and I can still hear that sweet little voice asking for Jim Strudwick. I saw you as a teenager at Laura and Bob Whites' house. Cherish your beautiful memories as you are most fortunate to be the one to call her mom. May her soul rest in peace!##imported-begin##Celine##imported-end##

December 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm shocked and saddened to just hear this news! Shiela was a very special woman and friend! She stood by my side in bad times Lynn's funeral and in good times as a bridesmaid in my wedding. My thoughts and prayers are with all her family that she loved so deeply!##imported-begin##Gail Fowler##imported-end##

December 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ You have my deepest sympathy over your recent loss of Shiela Victoria Strudwick. May you find comfort in your many memories of days shared. Please accept our condolences. We cannot imagine how you feel, but we are very sad that your dear Mom/Grandmother is gone.

Eddie & Jayne Evangelista##imported-begin##Eddie Evangelista##imported-end##

December 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I am greatly saddened by the shocking news of Sheila's passing. She will be foundly remembered as a true professional who pioneered our staff into the computer age. Jason and family, in behalf of the old LANTDIV Housing staff, please accept our genuine condolences.##imported-begin##Moses Meadows##imported-end##

December 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Sheila through The Backyard Gardeners, and we shared some good times during meetings and events. She would always liven things up with her dry sense of humor, and she will be missed.##imported-begin##Sue Bradshaw##imported-end##

December 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry to hear of your loss, if there is anything that I can do to assist you...##imported-begin##Tim Redmond##imported-end##

December 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ My heart and prayer goes to Shiela's family. She was a great and caring person. I remember all the good times we shared together. May we remember her always.

With deepest sorrow,
Dale##imported-begin##Dale E. Wheelbarger Jr##imported-end##

December 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Jason & Stephanie, I extend my sympathies to you both. I know the pain of losing one's mother but the memories of her with you and her grandson will live forever in your hearts so she will never be forgotten.

Jim, I also have felt the anguish when the mother of your son is gone. The memories of life never fade, cherish the good ones, keep them in your heart.

II Corinthians Chapter 5 verse 7 says "For we walk by faith, not by sight" verse 8 "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord".##imported-begin##Jim Peele##imported-end##

December 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept our sympathy for your great loss, and know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God grant you comfort, peace, and joyful memories of Shiela.##imported-begin##The Hopper family##imported-end##

December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Shiela was a wonderful friend and co-worker during her career with Navy Housing. She brought Navy Housing into the world of technology and graciously agreed to travel extensively to ensure that the Military families were being taken care of. I will miss her greatly. I remember fondly our decorative painting classes that we took together. My prayers and thoughts are with the family. My Deepest Sympathy, Jana Hubner##imported-begin##Jana##imported-end##

December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss…our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time, our hearts and prayers go out to the family and friends of Shiela Victoria Strudwick. May GOD rest her soul.##imported-begin##Thierry Grom##imported-end##

December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I worked with Sheila for several years in Navy Housing and always appreciated her dry sense of humor and lack of pretense. My deepest condolences go out to her family. I am so very sorry for your loss. God Bless.##imported-begin##Carla Roth##imported-end##

December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Mrs. Strudwick, although I only met you a few times by way of my friendship with your son Jason, I know you had a huge impact on the man he would grow to become. And from what I have experienced over the last five years that I have spent around Jason, all I can say is “job well done”.
Jason, Stephanie, and Ryan nothing can take away the pain of this loss, may God give you the strength to smile and remember all the good times with Mom/Grandma.##imported-begin##Damon Raley##imported-end##

December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences and prayers go out to you and your family. I'm sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Jason Copeland##imported-end##

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“ I will never forget Shiela's gracious spirit particularly concerning "our" grandson Ryan. On the day he was born Shiela told the nursery nurse who wanted to restrict visitation to family only -- we are "all" family -- in so doing she was including a step mom into the inner circle. Shiela was a wonderful person & very kind to me, I will miss her.##imported-begin##Barbara Strudwick##imported-end##

December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I have very fond memories of Shiela. She was my first supervisor at the Ben Moreell Housing Office in the 80's. We had a lot of fun together. When we 1st got computers and everything I entered got lost, she said we would have to do it all over again. That was easy for her because I did the input. I do miss her sense of humor. She will be missed. My condolences go out to the family. Jason I know she was very proud of you. Ryan she just loved taking care of you. May God Bless and be with you all in this time of need. Love Jacky##imported-begin##Jacky DuBeck##imported-end##

December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Mom/Grandma,

This all still seems like a bad dream that we will wake up from, run to hug you, and wipe away our tears. Our family will never be the same now that you are gone. You gave us so many good memories and you will always be in our hearts. We know that you are in a place with no suffering or pain and for that we are so very thankful. We love you dearly and miss you so very, very much.##imported-begin##Stephanie, Jason & Ryan Strudwick##imported-end##

December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM