



## Shirley Ann Risser

September 2, 1935 - July 19, 2012

Shirley Ann Risser, age 76, of Huntington, died at 4:26 a.m. Thursday (July 19, 2012) at her home in Huntington with her family by her side.

Shirley was born on September 2, 1935 in Fort Sill, Oklahoma, to Major General Byron L. MD and Delene Elizabeth (Lobdell) Steger and was also raised by her step-mother Mary Steger and step-father Samuel Wasmuth. She married Max Eugene Risser, on November 19, 1955 in Huntington, Indiana. Shirley graduated in 1953 from Huntington High School and attended Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana and Strayer Business College in Washington, DC.

Shirley was a self employed Interior Decorator in Huntington County. She was a past member of Tri-Kappa Sorority of Huntington and attended New Hope United Brethren Church of Huntington. Shirley was a loving wife, mother and friend who touched many in wonderful ways throughout her life and will be deeply missed.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years - Max E. Risser of Huntington; two daughters - Lori Ann (Jack) Casey of Lexington, Kentucky and Melissa Ann (Dan) Caffoe of Huntington; son - Stanton Eugene (Kimberly Jo) Risser of Spencerville; sister - Sara (Kent) Paul of Fort Wayne; two brothers - Phillip (Diane) Wasmuth of Wolfboro, New Hampshire and Colonel (retired) Robert L.

(Anna) Steger of Olympia, Washington; seven grandchildren - Drew Clark, Ryan Casey, Amanda Casey, Emily Ditzel, Kali Irving, Courtney Irving and Hannah Risser, and two great grandchildren. Her parents, step-parents and daughter-in-law - (Patricia Ann Risser) preceded her in death.

Visitation will be held at 3-7 p.m. Sunday (July 22, 2012) at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington. Funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday (July 23, 2012) at New Hope United Brethren Church, 2001 Engle Street, Huntington, Indiana, with Rev. Ray Seilhamer officiating. Burial will be in the Mount Hope Cemetery, Huntington, Indiana.

Memorial contributions can be made to New Hope United Brethren Church or Heartland Hospice in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Hope Cemetery

1700 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **22.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary  
35 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750  
(260) 356-1710  
wecare@baileylove.com  
<https://www.baileylove.com>

## Service

JUL **23.** 10:00 AM (ET)

New Hope United Brethren in Christ Church  
2001 Engle Street  
Huntington, IN

# Tribute Wall

BL

“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Shirley Ann Risser



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**Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary** - July 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Hey Stan, I just read. I'm so sorry about your Mom. The few times in college when I called you at home & she would pick up, she would always seem so Full of life & Joyful even though she did not know me. I could tell she was an Amazing woman !!!  
Again, So Sorry, John Haberstroh



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**John Haberstroh** - July 08, 2014 at 08:06 PM

KK

“ I'm very sorry for your loss and my thoughts are with you all.

*Kevin Krieg*

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**Kevin Krieg** - July 25, 2012 at 01:03 PM

RQ

“ Shirley was such a good friend to my mom(Marilyn Geyer). She would visit mom & dad many times after mom's stroke and always sent cards & flowers. Those visits brightened my mom's life. She always asked me how they were doing when ever I saw her. I know you will all miss her greatly but I can't help thinking that her and mom are enjoying a good old girl gab up in Heaven. Thoughts & prayers to all of you  
Rhonda (Geyer) Quickery

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**Rhonda Quickery** - July 23, 2012 at 01:23 PM

JS

“ Jane Seely lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Risser



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**Jane Seely** - July 23, 2012 at 08:36 AM

JS

So sorry to hear of Shirley's passing, she was always a delight and we as a family loved her dearly. I am sorry i didn't get to come to the visitation but, I was out of town. I just found out. Max, Lori missi and stan, we will be praying for you all as you learn to adjust without Shirley. God has richly blessed your family with such a great lady. She will be missed

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**Jane Seely** - July 23, 2012 at 08:43 AM

CC

“ Cynthia Clore lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Risser



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Cynthia Clore - July 23, 2012 at 07:42 AM

RL

“ Stan, Kim, Hannah and Kali,  
Our deepest sympathy on your loss. Borrowed Angels, their heaven sent. They can't stay forever, because sometimes heaven needs them back again.  
Ron and Leilani Looney

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Ron Looney - July 23, 2012 at 07:06 AM



“ Richard&Carolyn Allen lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Risser



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Richard&Carolyn Allen - July 22, 2012 at 02:50 PM

LS

“ Mr. Risser,

*I am so very sorry for your loss. I pray that you and the children/grand children will be filled with beautiful memories and strength that comes from our Lord in the days to come.*

*My sympathy,  
Lucy (Meehan) Siebenaler  
Edgerton, OH*

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**Lucy Meehan Siebenaler** - July 22, 2012 at 09:29 AM

RT

“ Max, Lori, Stan and Misssy,

*When Bev and I relocated to Huntington, Shirley was the first to welcome us with her radiant smile and affirming words. She was a fantastic neighbor and close friend and ally as we reared our children on Dean Street. She was a blessing to all who knew her. We are grateful that God placed her in our path.*

*Bob and Bev  
Trout, Florence, AL*

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**Robert and Beverly Trout** - July 21, 2012 at 04:56 PM

JF

“ Max, I just heard of Shirley's passing. I am so sorry. Shirley was the neighborhood Angel and I will miss her so. It is just you and I now that wave down the alley. Thinking of you and keeping you in prayer.

*Janet Finton*



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**Janet Finton** - July 21, 2012 at 09:22 AM

BR

“ *Brenda sent a virtual gift in memory of Shirley Ann Risser*



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**Brenda** - July 21, 2012 at 01:30 AM

DS

“ *Max,  
We are in CA and just saw of Shirley's passing. We extend our complete sympathy to your loss. She was just a sunshine person.  
Dede and Don Sherman*

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**Dede and Don L. Sherman** - July 20, 2012 at 02:11 PM

RB

“ *I will miss her kindness, her charm and most of all, that wonderful smile. Rest in Peace.*

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**Randy Borskey** - July 20, 2012 at 11:00 AM

NL

“ *Stan, Kim and girls,  
  
I'm so sorry to hear of your mothers' passing. You're in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Norma Lickey*

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**Norma Lickey** - July 20, 2012 at 09:32 AM

BJ

“ *My Dean Street parents...Thank you, kids, for sharing them with us.. how fortunate for us to have the very best neighbors in all of the world... This lady has blessed our lives in ways that nobody will ever know.. thank you Shirley .. you will be missed*

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**Barbie Jones** - July 20, 2012 at 08:32 AM

NG

“ *Lori and Jack - We are so sorry to hear the news. Our heart goes out to you and your family. May God bring you comfort, peace and a sense of calm in the coming days, weeks and months. There are a lot of very special people that God as called home this past year and Shirley is now amongst them. God's blessing with all our loving thoughts and prayers! Nancy, Brian, Katharine and Taylor*

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**Nancy, Brian and the girls** - July 20, 2012 at 05:36 AM



“ *Not a single childhood memory on Dean Street excludes Shirley! Still remember her laughing with me as a kid. What a wonderful woman!*

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July 19, 2012 at 02:21 PM

JF

*Dear Max,*

*My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Shirley will always be remembered as "my pretty friend from Huntington" by my daughters. Such a lovely person and friend who always knew just what to say.*

*Jan Fahrnow  
Carmel, Indiana*

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**Jan Fahrnow** - July 20, 2012 at 09:22 AM

DO

*Shirely was like a 2nd mother to us all growing up on Dean Street. Our deepest condolences to the family.*

*Dennis and Jamie Ostrow*

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**Dennis Ostrow** - July 20, 2012 at 10:55 AM

KN

*Dear Max & family:*

*Deepest sympathy to all of you on the passing of Shirley. What a lovely, caring lady. I can still hear her laugh!! You are in our prayers.*

*Keith and Kay Paul Nahrgang  
Riverview, FL*

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**Kay Paul Nahrgang** - July 20, 2012 at 03:52 PM