



Shirley Kamel

March 4, 1934 - May 8, 2024

A Requiem Mass for Shirley Zwan Kamel will be held at 10:00 AM, Monday, June 10, 2024, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, The Very Reverend Father Hank Lanik officiating. Interment will follow in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Shirley was born March 14, 1934, in Crowley, Louisiana to Beshara M. and Adele Reggie Zwan. She was the youngest of five children, Beatrice Shieldes, Evelyn Naman, Alphonse Zwan, and Edward Zwan.

The Zwan family moved to Tyler when Shirley was 12 years old. It was then that she would meet and fall in love with the teenage boy down the street, Raymond Kamel. She and Raymond were married in 1955 by Raymond's brother Monsignor Raphael Kamel. Three children were born to this union.

The family was being transferred to Detroit, Michigan, and not wanting to uproot their family, Raymond found employment in Dallas and the family moved there in 1962. Shirley and Raymond enjoyed traveling, one of their favorite destinations was Las Vegas. Shirley also enjoyed traveling with her sisters to Mobile, Alabama to go fishing or crabbing. Mrs. Kamel was a proud member of the Cedars of Lebanon club and enjoyed cooking and preparing meals and helping with the events that were held there. She was an excellent cook and immaculate homemaker.

In her later years, Shirley enjoyed her weekly outings to play Shanghai Rummy, Pokeno, lunching and fellowshiping with her girlfriends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her siblings, her husband, and her daughter Genevieve "Genny" Horaney. She is survived by her sons, Michael Joseph Kamel and David Mark Kamel; grandson, Alexander Horaney; and son-in-law Al Horaney.

Pallbearers will be Timothy Shieldes, Robert Naman, Al Zwan, Jr., Frankie Zwan, Kent Harry, Al Horaney, Ron Hefley and Brian Slay. Honorary Pallbearers will be Rodney Kamel, Johnny Shieldes, and Alexander Horaney.

A visitation will be held from 5:00 to 6:00 PM, Sunday, June 9, 2024, with a Rosary beginning at 6:00 PM., at Stewart Family Funeral Home, with a reception following.

The family would like to express their sincerest thanks and gratitude to her caregivers, Anna Tovar, Erica, and Wella that provided such exceptional care for Shirley over the years.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 9. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Rosary Following Visitation

JUN 9 (CT)

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7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
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Funeral Mass

JUN 10. 10:00 AM (CT)

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
423 S. Broadway
Tyler, TX 75702

Tribute Wall

JD

“ When I initially move to Dallas, Genny Kamel was one of the first people that I met, and we became friends. When we figured out that our families knew each other in Louisiana, Mrs. K. was very kind and welcoming to me, often inviting me to join their family for Sunday lunch...she cooked Lebanese food just like my mother! And, her sense of humor was unmatched as we exchanged hilarious stories of growing up in big, Catholic, Lebanese families! I will always remember Mrs. K's warmth, generosity, and especially her grace. I will never forget her—Jan Daiy

Jan Daiy - June 05, 2024 at 11:10 PM

DN

“ Shirley was my running buddy ; I'd go get her and say "let's go" and off we'd go to a new adventure... She was constantly saying " if my kids knew where we are they'd be very unhappy with both of us ".(Moral to her story ; just go don't tell- however I had already told Jenny or Al where we were headed... She never knew... like a kid getting away with sneaking into the cookie jar...Funtimes!!! Shirley will be missed everyday and will never stop loving her...

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