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SHIRLEY SCHULMAN OBITUARY

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Former Menomonie art teacher, fiber artist, and painter, Shirley Miriam Schulman, 87, passed away peacefully on February 11, 2021, from complications of Alzheimer's disease. She was preceded in death by her husband William Schulman (less than 6 months prior) and her brother Murray "Ray" Siegel. She is survived by her four children, Jim Schulman, Ann Schulman, Sue Zuback and Lynn George, her younger brother, David Siegel, 6 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild, and many nieces and nephews.

Shirley grew up in Hawthorne, Wisconsin, where her father, Abe Siegel ran the general store and served as Postmaster. She attended High School in Superior, Wisconsin, and studied art at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee where she met her husband of 64 years, also an artist. She taught art to a variety of age groups in Michigan, the Milwaukee area, Columbus, Ohio, at Menomonie High School and at the Eau Claire Academy. She obtained her Master's Degree in Fiber Arts at the University of Wisconsin - Stout. She helped curate exhibits and led tours at the Wilson Place Museum, was active creating sets for the Menomonie Theater Guild, and helped establish the Menomonie chapter of the League of Women Voters.

Throughout the long arc of her struggle with dementia, Shirley was invariably happy, and while she was still able to, regularly expressed concern for those around her. She was an inspiring teacher, a stalwart role model, and a "tough-loving" parent. For 7 years she was well cared for at the American Lutheran Home in Menomonie, and for the last few days of her life she was doted upon at the Our Lady of Peace hospice in St. Paul, Minnesota.

A ceremony will be held on Monday 15 February at 1pm at Downs Funeral Home, 1617 19th Street, Superior, WI 54880, 715/394-7746. Interment will take place shortly afterwards at the Hebrew Cemetery, also in Superior. A festive celebration of the lives of Shirley and William will take place at the Dunn County History Museum sometime later in 2021, when gathering and travel are less inhibited

by the pandemic. If you would like to be added to the invitation list, please alert Jim at 202/544-0069 or Regional Architect@gmail.com.



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