



Audrey Watson Kaplan

December 11, 1923 - May 3, 2016

Audrey was born in Costa Rica, but attended school in the Republic of Panama. In 1942, she married Joseph Watson, and they resided in the Canal Zone until his retirement. While in the Canal Zone, she worked as an insurance adjustor, and volunteered for many charitable organizations, spending many hours working with brain damaged children and reading to the blind. Before leaving Panama, she was awarded the Humanitarian Order of the Master Key by the Governor of the Canal Zone. Upon moving to Sarasota, she became very active in Temple Beth Shalom. She served as Sisterhood president from 1976-1978, Temple vice-president from 1978-1979, and president from 1979-1984. She also served as a valued member of the Temple board through 1992. For many years, she worked as a volunteer coaching Bar and Bat Mitzvah students prior to their big day. Audrey was preceded in death by her first husband, Joseph in 1997, and by her second husband, Richard Kaplan, in 2004. She is survived by her daughter, Marge Gould, son and daughter-in-law Russell and Julitta Watson, grandchildren Karen Christensen, Kim Clark, Chris Watson, Monica Haas, great grandchildren Joe and Jenna Christensen, Charlotte and Anna Clark, Teague and Maddie Watson, and Richard's children Michael Kaplan and Roberta Skidmore.

A service will be held honoring Audrey at Temple Beth Shalom, 1050 S. Tuttle Ave on Thursday May 5, 2016 at 2:00 PM followed by a graveside service at

the Temple's cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ *My deepest sympathy to all the family of a truly wonderful woman. She often visited my mother Bertha Fidanque; and when I think of her I think of her lovely smiling face. Thinking of you, Jaci Lindo*

Jaci Fidanque Lindo - May 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM