



Judith Sharon Corley Carver

September 22, 1938 - January 3, 2023

Judith Sharon Corley Carver passed away peacefully at the age of 84 at her home in Sarasota, Florida on Monday, January 3, 2023. Judy was born on September 22, 1938 in Decatur, IL to Paul and Vera Corley, where she became the beloved little sister to her twin brothers, Richard and Robert (deceased).

Judy is survived by her loving and devoted husband of 64 years, Richard Carver. She was a proud mother of four children – Kathryn (RJ) Binau, Stephen (Wendy) Carver, Cynthia (Patrick) Smith, and Susan (Mark) Pendergrass. Judy was a doting grandmother, and in addition to her children, is survived by nine grandchildren – Caitlin, Shannon, Alexa, Collin, Christopher, Beau, Sheridan, Kevin, and Hannah – and three great-grandchildren.

Judy attended the University of Illinois where she joined the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. It was there that she met Richard. They lived in Peoria, IL for 25 years together – much of it as Mayor and Peoria's First Lady - until Richard was called to public service in Washington, DC. Judy had impeccable taste and was an avid homemaker who loved to entertain family and friends. She was an active member of several organizations, including the Junior League of Peoria and the Arlington Garden Club in Virginia. Judy traveled the world with Richard, but especially loved spending time in France and was an ardent

Francophile. Judy and Richard moved to Sarasota in 2013 for the sunny weather, where they enjoyed afternoons on the lanai with their recently-deceased, but always beloved, Corgi, Jack.

Judith will be laid to rest at 1:30 pm on Thursday, January 5th at Sarasota National Cemetery.

The family requests that donations be made to The Boys and Girls Club of Sarasota in lieu of flowers.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dick, we just read of your loss in this morning's Sarasota paper. Mary and I remember vividly a special kindness Judy showed to Mary about 40 years ago at a "Sister Cities" social event, during the time we resided in Peoria. We know that you were blessed to have her in your life, and that those who knew her were also blessed. I hope that with time the memories of happy occasions will overcome the grief you and your family must feel. John Edwards

John P Edwards - January 05, 2023 at 11:32 AM