

# SHIRLEY MASON WEINBERG KOHN



Shirley Mason Weinberg Kohn, age 95, of White Oak, died peacefully on June 12, 2024. Shirley was born in McKeesport on July 22, 1928 to Rose and Joseph Weinberg and was named after silent movie star Shirley Mason. Shirley married Herbert M. Kohn in 1947 and raised their two children, Cheri and Mitchell, in McKeesport. She was a lifelong member of Temple B'nai Israel. After her husband died in 1973, she

became a manager for the R.N. Koch jewelry company, working her way up to manage stores across the entire Eastern seaboard. She traveled weekly and sported glamorous looks that went well with her hobby of disco dancing at the Holiday Inn in Monroeville with her longtime dance partner, Jones Costello. After her retirement, Shirley dedicated the next 30 years to volunteering at The Intersection in McKeesport, which was founded in 1972 by the Sisters of Mercy. She helped countless clients navigate paperwork and connect with services. She became close friends with both the nuns and the clients, many of whom looked forward to her smiling face as the greeter and receptionist.

Shirley was Ma to Cheri (Joel) Schwartz and Mitchell (Melinda) Kohn, Gramma to Matt (Beth) Schwartz and Hollee (John) Temple; and GG to great-granddaughters Rebecca and Anna Schwartz and great-grandsons Gideon and Hank Temple. Her great-grandchildren were a huge source of joy in her last two decades, and she attended countless games and performances to support them. She also became somewhat of a celebrity in Gideon and Hank's college community as a result of her keen and frequent commentary on the Baldwin Wallace Conservatory of Music Facebook page.

Graveside services will be held on Sunday, June 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. officiated by Rabbi Howie Stein at Temple Cemetery, 731 Center Street, Versailles, PA 15132. Arrangements are being handled by **STRIFFLERS OF WHITE OAK CREMATION AND MORTUARY SERVICES**, 1100 Lincoln Way, White Oak, PA 15131 (Sue Striffler Galaski, supervisor, 412-678-6177).

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to Temple Emanuel of South Hills, 1250 Bower Hill Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15243.

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