



Shirley Swim

May 27, 1927 - September 4, 2012

Shirley A. Swim, 85, of Topeka, went to be with the Lord Tuesday, September 4, 2012. She was born May 27, 1927 in Des Moines IA, to William and Mabel (Wright) Tollenaar. She married Pastor Gene R. Swim at the Little Brown Church in the Vale in Nashua, Iowa on September 9th, 1945. He survives. She was preceded in death by two daughters, Pamela Fritton and Rebekah Quinlan and one grandson Jason Swim. Shirley was a member of Faith Baptist Church where she served as the church secretary to her husband, Pastor Gene R. Swim for over 30 years. Survivors include her husband, Pastor Gene R. Swim, Topeka; children, Shirene Hoppe, Carbondale, Steve Swim, Topeka, Debbie Alvarado, Topeka and Mark Swim, Carbondale; 16 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grand child. Family will greet friends from 5-7 p.m., Friday at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd, Topeka KS. Funeral services will be 10a.m., Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Penwell-Gable Cemetery at 6th and Gage.

Tribute Wall



“ Shirley Swim

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Dear Pastor Swim and Family,

We've been blessed to read the tribute to your beloved wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. We thank the Lord that our lives have intersected with your family and ministry as missionaries supported by Faith Baptist Church in Topeka, KS. We remember the special privilege of hosting you during Project HOPE in the Philippines in 1989. We are praying for the Lord to comfort your bittersweet sorrow as you rest in His promise of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ and the anticipation of a reunion in glory with Shirley. You have given a wonderful spiritual heritage to your family. Thank you for your faithful walk and service of the Lord! Kent & Kelly Craig, ABWE Asia Area Director, Harrisburg, PA

Kent & Kelly Craig - October 04, 2012 at 10:52 PM



“ Steve and family.....I just saw your Mom's obit. I am so sorry for your loss. Gale's Dad passed away just a couple days after your Mom, so know the pain your family is going through. Our Deepest Sympathy to you and your family. May the Lord hold you all in HIS loving arms.

*God's Blessings
Gale & Sue Atherton*

Gale & Sue Atherton - October 04, 2012 at 04:04 PM

JP

“ *Debbie,
I just want to express my sincere sympathy to you in the homegoing of your Mom, Mrs. Shirley Swim. My heart aches for you, but, there is no greater comfort than knowing that the Lord, too, is acquainted with your sorrow and grief. I'm so glad He's there to comfort and help you during this sad time!
Love in Christ,
Joyce Parker*

Joyce Parker - September 07, 2012 at 06:27 PM

DE

“ *Please accept our sincere sympathy. May God speed peace to all the family.*

*With respect,
Ping and Diana Dougan Enriquez*

Diana Enriquez - September 07, 2012 at 03:00 PM

TM

“ *To the Swim family,

Please accept our condolences and know that we share in your loss. Shirley was very special to my family when we lived in Topeka. Please know that you are in our prayers.*

Tim Marlar - September 06, 2012 at 08:03 PM

BG

“ Just hear about your loss. What an amazing woman Shirley Swim was. Although we haven't seen her in years I can still see her smiling face and hear her laughing. She was such a wonderful example for all of us young Christian woman. Our loss is certainly heaven's gain. Prayers, Hugs and Love sent to all of you. Please give Pastor Swim an extra hug from Bob & Pam.

Bob & Pam Gordon - September 06, 2012 at 10:27 AM

DF

“ Shirley was always so sweet to be around I know she will be missed. I am so sorry for your loss.

Dorothy Foster - September 05, 2012 at 05:35 PM

SK

“ Please accept my sympathy for your loss of a wonderful lady. Although it was been many years ago, I will always remember her kind smile and welcoming spirit. I am truly blessed to have known her while on this earth and look forward to seeing her again in Heaven.

Scott Kliever - September 05, 2012 at 03:05 PM