



Rose Evelyn Sporn

November 2, 1919 - September 21, 2011

Rose Evelyn Sporn, 91, Kansas City, MO passed away Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at Kansas City Hospice House. Funeral services 1:30 pm Friday, September 23 at The Louis Memorial Chapel, 6830 Troost Avenue. Kindly omit flowers; the family suggests contributions to the Rose Evelyn Sporn Primary Education Fund in care of Beth Shalom Synagogue, 14200 Lamar, Overland Park, KS 66224.

Rose Evelyn was born to Max and Lena Kurs November 2, 1919, in Kansas City, MO and remained a life-long area resident. She married David Sporn on New Year's Eve in New York in 1941. In 1946 Wendy was born and eleven years later their adopted daughter, Debbie, was added to the family.

Rose Evelyn taught at Beth Shalom Sunday School and headed the primary department, retiring after 47 years. She was director of Early Childhood Education at the Jewish Community Center for 27 years. She earned her Master's Degree at age 62 from Emporia State University making all A's.

She was a life-long member of Beth Shalom Synagogue and an active member of B'nai B'rith Women serving as their program chairman. For nine years she wrote publicity for Kehilath Israel Synagogue Sisterhood. For 30 years Rose Evelyn wrote children's plays using traditional fairy tales and her lyrics to create "Kiddy Kapers". She loved writing parodies for special occasions. She even wrote birthday songs for Harry Truman, who was her hero!

Rose Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband David, her sister, Beatrice "Bee" Sherman, brother-in-law Pro Sherman, and her brother Stanley Kurs.

She is survived by her daughters Wendy Sporn and Debbie Warden and her husband Jerry, grandchildren Kelsey and Jeremy Warden, niece Sunie Levin, and nephew Lee Levin, and her feline companions, Smokey and Oscar.

Comments



“ Hi Wendy - I'm so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. You and your mother were so much a part of my childhood. I felt like the innocence of those days ended when we moved away to Kansas - and I was the very wise old age of 7. I remember you had a cat named Kiki and we had Peppy - and your family adopted one of Peppy's kittens. Well, I still have cats and I see that you do too. Some things we love as children we continue to love as adults. I'm glad we were neighbors and I remember your mother well. It's a lovely tribute to a very accomplished woman. My mother said you really looked lovely at the funeral and was thrilled the way you came up to greet her. You and your family have my deepest sympathy. Take care, Gary

Gary Kanter - September 27, 2011 at 07:11 PM



“ i am so sorry for your loss!!!

mike liber - September 24, 2011 at 06:46 PM



“ Debbie,
i am sorry about your loss. I remember your mother and she will be missed.

rick mann - September 24, 2011 at 01:43 PM



“ Dear Wendy and Debbie,

So many fond memories I have of all the years I worked with Rose Evelyn. She was a brilliant woman that flowed with amazing creative juices.

We wrote lots of songs together, did workshops together and worked together both at Beth Shalom and the JCC.

I hope her wonderful sense of humor will sustain you in these sad times.

My deepest sympathies.

Jackie

Jackie Silberg - September 24, 2011 at 11:20 AM



“ To the family of Rose Evelyn:
I have fond memories of rose Evelyn in classes, in music and her relentless energy. I am sure you all will remember her with fond memories as many others will as well. My sincere condolences
Marlene Katz

marlene katz - September 24, 2011 at 10:48 AM



“ Dear Wendy and Debbi...remember your mother so well. When I taught Sunday School at Beth Shalom.so taught me what it was all about..the field of teaching. She was the most unusual, wonderful woman...they broke the mold when they created her. May G-d comfort you in your grief.

Lenore isner Gordon - September 22, 2011 at 01:59 PM



“ Wendy,

My heart and prayers are with you. Take care. We were classmates in college. I see Gary Kretchmer, now and then. Patrick W. Emmett

Patrick W. Emmett - September 22, 2011 at 01:25 PM



“ Rose Evelyn was the ultimate Teacher! Her creativity was unmatched - she never failed for ideas and ways to make them come alive.She was integral to the Bnai B'rith Womens prolific programs ensuring the group a reputation of endless delights. From kindergarten to the later years, women of all ages were blessed with exposure to Rose Evelyn's talents. She will be missed by at least three generations of Kansas City women.

Ruth G Shechter - September 22, 2011 at 11:33 AM



“ Dear Debbie and Family,
Our hearts are feeling your sorrow and we hope that our sincere thoughts surround you like a gentle and supportive hug.

The Grochowski Family - September 22, 2011 at 07:38 AM



“ Dear Deb and family,

I am so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was a talented, gifted lady who obviously touched the lives of many. May peace be with you at this difficult time.

Linda Walton

Linda Walton - September 22, 2011 at 05:32 AM