



Shelley Lynn Greenman

September 22, 1955 - August 5, 2024

Shelley Lynn Greenman passed away suddenly on Monday, August 5, 2024, at age 68.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Bettie Greenman. She is survived by her husband, Herb Whalley; father, Harry Greenman; brother, Jeffrey Greenman; stepdaughter, Melanie Norris, and husband, David; sisters-in-law, Anna Whalley and Judy Whalley; and brother-in-law, David Whalley, and wife, Jiraporn.

A native Houstonian, Shelley graduated from Lamar High School and The University of Texas at Austin where she earned a bachelor's degree in education and made lifelong friends through the AEPi sorority. She later received her master's degree in education from the University of Houston. Inspired by her passion for helping others, she enjoyed a long professional career in education, primarily teaching students with special needs.

Shelley was a vibrant and outgoing spirit, who was a friend to all. Her genuine character and gift for conversation made people of all ages and backgrounds feel valued and welcomed. She was also an animal lover and would beam when talking about her beloved cats.

She delighted in giving back to her community. In addition to volunteering at

Congregation Or Ami, West Houston Assistance Ministries (WHAM), and other organizations, perhaps her greatest joy was fostering kittens she brought home from the vet, who would sometimes find their way into her home permanently.

After retirement, Shelley reconnected with her faith at Or Ami, where she took pride in reading Torah and engaging with the congregation. It was there that she met her husband, Herb, whom she married in 2018. Shelley and Herb pursued a shared love of travel, theater, and even baseball, which Shelley grew to appreciate throughout their time together.

She was an avid reader who loved puzzles and word games and had an adventurous personality. She wasn't afraid of a challenge, whether it was scuba diving, running a marathon, or solo traveling.

Shelley will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing her. Her legacy of love, kindness, and compassion will live on in the hearts of those she leaves behind.

The funeral service will take place on Friday, August 9, 2024, at 10:00 am in the Proler Chapel at Congregation Beth Israel Memorial Garden, 1101 Antoine Drive, Houston, Texas 77055, followed by a shiva minyan at Congregation Or Ami, 3443 Wilcrest Drive, Houston, Texas 77042.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Congregation Or Ami (<https://oramihouston.org/>), Houston SPCA (<https://houstonspca.org/>), the Houston Food Bank (<https://www.houstonfoodbank.org/>) or a charity of your choice in her honor.

Cemetery Details

Beth Israel Memorial Garden

1101 Antoine Dr.
Houston, TX 77055

Previous Events

Cemetery Chapel Service

AUG 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

Beth Israel Memorial Garden
1101 Antoine Dr.
Houston, TX 77055

Tribute Wall

LS

“ I will miss you greatly my condolences to your family.

Lavonda Shelby - August 21, 2024 at 09:13 AM

CP

“ I'm so very saddened to know Shelley is gone. Her light and spirit & smile & energy will long be remembered along with her kind & very Big heart.

Our love and thoughts and deepest condolences go to Herb and his beautiful family he shared with Shelley.

I will miss Shelley more than words can say and Uncle Harry and Jeff are in our hearts..we share your deep loss.

Shelley was truly 1 in a million. We grew up around the corner from each other and she was like my little sister in every sense of the word. Our mothers were best friend & "2nd" mothers to us.

We share so many special memories. Shelley was also My maid of honor,

My sons Gdmother, my stp sorority & Burr Oaks camp little sister, UT & university of Hawaii roommate.

We learned our camp songs together & our camp spirit from Aunt Bettie as she taught us all of the camp songs years before we ever went to camp.

Shelley's love she gave in her teaching & the difference she made in her students lives was immeasurable.

The sunshine & sense of humor she brought into all of our lives will live on forever.

Love you Shelley

Will miss you always,

Cindy Siegel Polster & family

Cindy Slegel Polster - August 10, 2024 at 09:33 PM

WB

“ My heart goes out to her husband Herb, her father Harry, and her brother Jeff.

I grew up with Shelley and our families spent many happy time together. Shelley and I went to Burr Oaks Camp in Wisconsin for many years. She was a sorority sister in high school and college together.

Shelley was a fun loving and kind girl.

I'm sorry I'm not able to attend any of the services for her. I have Covid and it would not be wise to show up.

Her memory is a blessing to me and all who knew her.

Wendy Hoffer Bleiweiss

Wendy Bleiweiss - August 09, 2024 at 02:32 PM

SM

“ Shelley was my classmate from Beth Israel Sunday School, my sorority sister in Sigma Theta Pi in high school, my UT college roommate, and my bridesmaid. She was my good friend for many many years, well into young adulthood. She was a bundle of energy, always smiling, always fun! A good friend- I'll miss seeing her, although now it was every few years, not every few days. Still a good friend.

Susan M Meyer - August 08, 2024 at 06:34 PM

SK

“ Shelley taught our son, Adam, at TH Rogers School for 9 years. Her patience, perseverance, creativity, joy, and love will never be forgotten, and she will always be cherished as a very important part of his life and ours.

Sarah Kelly - August 08, 2024 at 11:55 AM

MS

“ *The men of Sigma Alpha Ro fraternity Will always remember the fun times at your house when you were sweetheart of the fraternity.
With love as always Mark Speer*

Mark Speer - August 07, 2024 at 07:44 PM