



## Shirley Miller Hecht

May 8, 1936 - September 3, 2024

Shirley Miller Hecht passed away on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at the age of 88. She was born in Waco, Texas in 1936 and was the daughter of the late Morris and Nell Miller. Shirley graduated from Waco High School and attended college at Sophie Newcomb College in New Orleans. Shirley married Bob Hecht in 1956 and they shared an exceptional life together until Bob's death in 2001. Being married to Bob was certainly never boring, and they loved each other very much. Shirley and Bob started their married life in Waco and moved to Houston in 1960. Upon moving to Houston, Shirley quickly became involved in Jewish organizations, working on committees and serving on boards. In addition to raising her two children, Michael and Kathy, Shirley loved to play Mah Jong and spend time with her dog, Roxy.

Shirley was courageous. She knew the best of times but accepted with grace the most challenging of times that followed. Shirley was proud of her family, never took for granted the incredible experiences she and Bob enjoyed over the course of their marriage, and dealt head-on with the difficulties of life. Shirley lost her son Michael in 2014 and her daughter Katheryn Turcott in 2021. While Shirley experienced more than her share of heartbreak and grief during the last 25 years of her life, she faced those years with a smile and a positive attitude.

Shirley loved family and friends. She was the baby of the family but had an

especially close relationship with her sister, Marty, and her brother, Arnold, both of whom she deeply loved. Toward the end of her life, Shirley lived at the Village of Tanglewood where she enjoyed spending time with her brother and sister-in-law who were also residents. Shirley loved her grandchildren dearly. She had many friends but was especially close to Maxine Lapin who was always there for her.

Shirley is survived by her grandchildren Natalie, Micah and Matthew Turcott, brother and sister-in-law, Arnold and Yvonne Miller, brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Walter and Punkin Hecht, son-in law, Troy Turcott, nieces and nephews, Karen and Joe Chesnick, Toni and Gary Miller, Annette Jacobson Ernstein and Mark Hecht as well as many great nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, husband and children, Shirley was predeceased by her sister, Martha Jacobson Clark, nephews Larry Jacobson and Donald Jacobson and niece Robin Hecht Deutsch.

The graveside service will be held on Thursday, September 5, 2024, at 10:00 AM at the Beth Yeshurun Allen Parkway Cemetery, 3502 Allen Parkway, in Houston, Texas. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Shirley's memory to Congregation Beth Israel (<https://www.beth-israel.org/giving/tribute-donations/>), Houston Hospice (<https://www.houstonhospice.org/donate/>), or the charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Beth Yeshurun Allen Parkway

3502 Allen Parkway  
Houston, TX 77019

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

SEP 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

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3502 Allen Parkway  
Houston, TX 77019

# Tribute Wall

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