



Sheila R. Caskey

April 13, 2013

Sheila R. Caskey, 74, of Cape Girardeau, MO died Saturday, April 13, 2013 at St. Francis Medical Center. She was born February 13, 1939 in Chicago, IL to Raymond B. and Grace F. Meadows Caskey . Sheila received her B.S in Education and M.S. from Illinois State University in Normal, IL. and her Ph.D. from Purdue University. She was a Professor at Southeast Missouri State University for 33 years, 19 years as Dean of Graduate Studies and Extended Learning, retiring in August of 1998. She was the founding president of the Board of Trustees at Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Past member of the Higher Learning Commission and NCATE review teams. Former member of the Cape Girardeau Library Board of Trustees and Cape Girardeau Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee along with having served as a Community Council Board Member. She served several years on the Lake Perry Lot Owners Board of Trustees. Sheila was author of numerous scholarly articles published at the state and national levels. She also did volunteer work for AARP as a tax preparer. Survivors include Brother - Michael Caskey of Lincoln, IL 4 Nieces and 8 Great Nieces and Nephews. 1 Very Special Friend- Margaret A. Theobald of Cape Girardeau, MO. She was preceded in death by her parents Private memorial services will be held in her hometown in Lawndale, IL. at a later date. Memorial contributions may be given to the Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing and Health Sciences or the Southeast Missouri State University Department of Nursing.

Tribute Wall

PH

“ Hi Ray, just wanted to thank you for tenllig us about Francis Ford Coppola Winery. It was great. We tasted some wine, took the tour and had lunch by the pool. A great place to spend the day. Next time we come by, we will plan for a Thursday night for food and music. Thanks againJohn & Angela

Phetsamone - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ We are saddened at the loss of a fine friend, colleaugue and one of the finest educators I have known. Knowing Sheila for over 40 years; she was my neighbor, my colleague and my friend. We send our sympathies to Marge and the remainder of her family. God bless you all and give you peace in her passing. Pat Murray and Wally Allstun

Pat Murray/Wally Allstun - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ I was so sorry to hear of Sheila's death. I had the opportunity to serve with her on a community board. She always had kind and encouraging words for me. My sympathy is extended to the family.

Dr. Loretta P. Prater - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ Dr. Caskey influenced me tremendously during the time I worked in the school of graduate studies. I have never forgotten her humor and sense of duty. I have always respected her and have many fond memories. I am deeply sorry for your loss. It is not the dead that feel the sorrow but those of us who have to go on living. Rev 21:2-4 holds the hope for those of us left behind. Peace be with you all.

Gwendolyn Duncan - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ We ar sorry to hear about Sheila's passing. Our sympathies go out to Sheila's family and Margie. She has been a kind friend for many years and will be missed.

Bill and Marge Theobald - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ My deepest sympathy to the family and friends of a former physical education colleague at Southeast Missouri State University. Sheila was a very bright and talented teacher. Ron Kirby

Ron Kirby - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Dr. Casky was a wonderful person under her stern exterior. She gave me a lot of encouragement both in my studies and my working environment. She provided many contributions to Southeast and SEMO U.

donna masterson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ I had Dr. Caskey at SEMO in 1972 or 73, and played field hockey on the team that she encouraged and took around to play other club teams. I always enjoyed her. I am sorry to read of her passing and offer my condolences. I have great memories of her and playing hockey both with and against her!

Linda Launhardt Whitener - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ It was a great pleasure to work with Sheila. She was most instrumental in my having a very successful tenure of service at SEMO. Michael became a supporter of activities at the University after he realized Sheila's interest in community of SEA CAPE. Our condolences are offered to Sheila's family.

Bernice Coar-Cobb (Sterling) Michael Sterling - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Our sincere sympathy on the passing of Dr. Sheila Caskey. She was a great lady and we enjoyed working with her at Southeast Missouri State University for many years. Her contributions to community and society will be missed.

Stanley & Jane Stough - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Caskey family and friends. I have great memories of Dr. Caskey being my physical education teacher at Campus School.

Lexi Grisvard Buente - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ We were very saddened to hear of the passing of Dr. Caskey. She was truly one of the best educator/friend a student could ever have. Dr. Caskey's true understanding of her students and unselfishness in assisting those in need lead to Marc's success in obtaining his Masters Degree. When Marc did not have confidence in himself, Dr. Caskey stepped in to prove him wrong. Her insight and willingness to bring out everyone's potential made us the educators' we later became. We only wish we could have located Dr. Caskey later on to tell her ourselves what she did for us and how much she was appreciated.

Marc & Bev Stevener - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ Dr. Caskey was a wonderful educator and did much to make the University more progressive in many ways. I always enjoyed seeing her at the Pancake House after her retirement, too. I was so very sorry to hear of her death. Prayers going out for her family and loved ones, especially Margaret. God's blessings on all those who loved her.

Nancy Kennemore - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Sheila was a great asset to the regional campuses. I traveled with her more than once to help advise students around the BEC area. She always called me by name each time we met. She will be missed. Joe Huskey

Joe Huskey - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I'll always remember Dr. Caskey's deep and hearty laugh. Taught at the university in the 70 and 80's and she befriended all. Had many good times that I shared with Sheila and Margaret T. She will be missed. All are in my prayers. take care, Barb

Barb McKeon - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Sheila and I worked together at the University for many years and I treasure the memories. She taught my children in Campus School and we have had many laughs about the kids, the University and all the gossip surrounding the system. Rest in Peace, Sheila! You gave 100% to every job you did!

Jane Cooper Stacy - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *WHAT A GREAT PROFESSOR, MENTOR AND FRIEND... THANKS FOR THE GREAT EXPERIENCES! PJB*

PETER BERGERSON - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *My condolences to Ms. Caskey's family and friends, and to Ms. Theobald. I delivered newspapers to Ms. Caskey many years ago and she was always a favorite customer. Rest in peace, Ms. Caskey.*

Carol Smith - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ *Sheila was one of the most supportive and helpful guides as I started my academic progression as faculty. I regarded her as a wise counselor I could trust totally. My condolences.*

Helen E Miner - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ *Please accept my deepest sympathy for I too know the pain of losing someone you love. May your family find comfort as I have in knowing that our loving heavenly Father promises us that very soon he will 'wipe out every tear from our eyes, and death will be no more.' (Revelation 21:4) What a wonderful day that will be!*

K. Jackson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Dean Caskey was a driving force for me in finishing my Masters degree. I remember being at the University one day when classes were not in session and I was having a great deal of trouble finding someone to assist me in enrolling. She assisted me and got me going in the program. I was amazed that the Dean, who at the time I did not know that, was the individual that took time away from her schedule to help me! I found out later that she was the Dean. But to her, everyone was important. I will always remember her act of kindness to me.

Lee Gattis - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Sheila came into our lives through AARP Tax Aides a number of years ago. We can hardly believe that her insightfulness and quick wit will no longer be something we can look forward to each tax season. We are very sad for everyone's great loss in the passing of Sheila. So many lives were touched and improved because she truly cared and through volunteerism, helped. God speed and God bless all.

Roger & Marlene Riley - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM