



Barbara Seay

December 12, 1935 - May 19, 2017

Barbara Ruth Shapley Seay, 81, died on Friday May 19, 2017 while living at Seven Acres Jewish Senior Care.

Barbara was born in Tyler, Texas on December 12, 1935 the daughter of Sam and Mollie Kessler and the younger sister to Jack and Irv Kessler. The family moved to Houston when Barbara was 3 years old. Over the years the family were members of Beth Yeshurun and Brith Shalom.

She graduated from San Jacinto High School, and worked as a real estate agent with Gary Greene Realtors. She developed a love of cars and could always be found driving around in a convertible while going to the local hot spots to dance with her girlfriends.

Barbara met her first husband, Bob Shapley, in 1954 while he was playing in the orchestra at the Balinese Ballroom in Galveston Texas and it was love at first sight. They married shortly after and started their family. They enjoyed traveling and entertaining. They divorced in 1977 and both went on to marry again. Bob Shapley passed away on May 2, 2015.

Barbara met the second love of her life, Clarence Seay, when she sold a house that was built by the company he was working for at the time. He took her to meet his boss and with two of their friends started a real estate company that sold the houses that Clarence would build. They married in

1978 on her birthday. They loved to travel to exotic destinations, spend time in Galveston, and go fishing. Later in life when both were retired they spent much of their time at the YMCA. Clarence Seay passed away on January 25, 2007.

Barbara was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend. She leaves her daughter Phyllis Crowell, son Jerry Shapley and his wife Beki as well as her granddaughters Michelle Crowell, Sarah Shapley, and Kara Hoffer and lifelong best friend June Diamond.

Barbara never met a stranger and she always told it like it was, everyone that knew her loved her and will miss her terribly.