



## Sharlot J. Richards

November 13, 1921 - July 30, 2018

Sharlot J. Richards passed away peacefully with her loving family at her side Monday morning, July 30th at St. James Healthcare. She was born Sunday, November 13, 1921 in Havre, Montana to Arthur J. and Bertha (Sterrett) Raymond. Sharlot's family moved to Butte when she was a toddler and they made their home on the upper west side. She graduated from Butte High School in 1940, attended Woodbury College for a year in California, then returned to Butte and went on to graduate from Butte Business College.

She married Frank A. Richards in Butte on January 6, 1943 and together they made their home on a gorgeous ranch in the Big Hole valley for 57 years. Sharlot was known throughout the area for her amazing yard and beautiful flowers, which she took much pride. Sharlot was very stylish and elegant, in fact she would garden and even ride the lawnmower dressed in her Sunday best. She enjoyed hosting people from all over the country who came fishing on the Big Hole River – each day she had a table full of friends and new acquaintances. Everyone who came in contact with Sharlot immediately loved her. She was an amazing homemaker; she took much joy in cooking and baking, and always had fresh molasses or sugar cookies and everyone's favorite – Syrian bread for all to enjoy.

Frank and Sharlot moved to Butte in 2000. They enjoyed nearly 20 years at the Waterford in their charming cottage. Sharlot was the welcome wagon to

new residents in the cottages, remembered every neighbor's birthday with a homemade cake, and continued her garden legacy with a yard full of beautiful flowers.

Sharlot was extremely proud of her 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Her heart was overflowing with love for them and she relished every moment spent with them.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her son Raymond Richards, Frank's parents, Emil and Mary Richards, sister and brother-in-law, Betty and Larry Coffey, brothers and sister-in-laws Dick Raymond and Betty Raymond, Don and Peggy Raymond, her brothers-in-law Bart (Maxine) Richards and Darwin (Evern) Richards and sister-in-law Margaret (Mike) Minnehan.

She is survived by her loving husband of 75 years, Frank Richards, her children, Bob (Judy) Richards, Mary (Francis) Lucon, and Dave (Mitzi) Richards; her grandchildren, Angie (Paul) Quilici, Marissa (Ryan) Wood, Justin Richards, Benjamin (Carrie) Lucon, Peter (Janice) Lucon, and Joseph (Hilary) Lucon. Her great-grandchildren include: Taryn and Brityn Wood, Nolan, Brody and Ryatt Richards, Sophia and Logan Lucon, Helen, Alice and George Lucon, Paisley Lucon (on her way) and numerous nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude for the professionalism and loving care at St James Healthcare, specifically Tracy and Camilla, Dr. Perry, A1 Ambulance (Mike & Trish McGree), and her personal care nurses (Nina, Kim, and Jeanna).

In lieu of flowers or memorials, donations can be made to the Proactive Living Facility (<https://proactivelivingfacility.org/>), Shriners, or St. Judes.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home  
1800 Florence Ave  
Butte, MT 59701  
(406) 723-3221  
<https://wayrynen-richards.com/>

## Service

AUG 7. 11:00 AM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall

JS

“ *My thoughts are with you and your family on loosing your beautiful Mother.*

*Judy (Salovich) Sheldon  
Las Vegas, NV*

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**Judy (Salovich) Sheldon** - August 22, 2018 at 01:05 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Sharlot J. Richards.*



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August 13, 2018 at 01:32 PM

CB

“ *one of the best cooks in the valley, always there with a smile. Chuck Buus*

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**Chuck Buus** - August 06, 2018 at 01:29 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Sharlot J. Richards.*



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August 06, 2018 at 11:45 AM

LC

“ *Sharlot and Frank were customers at CVS and she was the most amazing woman. Always kind no matter what and her kids follow her lead. My deepest condolences to all of you. I feel honored to have seen them at their anniversary dinner this year at Lydia’s. Rest In Peace lovely lady .... Laura Cater*

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**laura cater** - August 05, 2018 at 04:59 PM

SB

*When my sister, Sandy Kieckbusch, moved to the cottages at Big Sky Living, Sharlot immediately befriended her, and through the ensuing years became great friends. While I didn't know Sharlot well, I found her to be impressive, and delightful. She was an extraordinary woman that lead a stellar life full of love, generosity, and depth. God bless and rest, Sharlot.  
Sally Bardsley*

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**Sally Bardsley** - August 08, 2018 at 10:14 PM

JD

*I can still see her in the kitchen at the ranch making bread. Nothing smelled or tasted better. God Bless Frank, Bobby, Mary, David and your families. She instilled some great memories for our family. Jamie (Radoman) DeBates*

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**Jamie DeBates** - August 11, 2018 at 07:51 PM



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**Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home** - August 02, 2018 at 09:49 AM

BM

*Beautiful Lady ; My Condolences Frank*

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**Blake Meeks** - August 03, 2018 at 02:27 PM

JM

*So sorry for your loss. Prayers for all of you. May she rest in peace and forever be your guardian angel.*

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**Jon & Julie Moody** - August 04, 2018 at 09:23 AM

JD

*I will always remember Sharlot with her warm smile and kind eyes, framed by her signature scarf, as a stunning example of kindness and hospitality. I fondly recall her opening her home at the ranch to us and sharing her wonderful cooking highlighted by yummy Syrian bread and fresh milk. I know she has built a foundation of love in her family and her legacy will live on. My heartfelt sympathy to all of you in this difficult time.*

*Kind Regards,  
Julie (Calnan) Derzay*

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**Julie Derzay** - August 06, 2018 at 11:02 PM

CM

*I will always remember listening to "Sharlot and Frank's love story". I enjoyed hearing it almost as much as they enjoyed telling it. It was truly inspirational, proof of this is shown in the fine family they raised.*

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**Clay McCloskey** - August 07, 2018 at 09:02 AM