



## Sheila Elizabeth Burgess

November 17, 2019

It is with great sadness that the family of Sheila Burgess announces her passing after a long battle with Parkinson's disease on Sunday November 17 2019 at the age of 77.

Sheila was born in Hamilton Ontario on March 12 1942. She attended Tyndale College in Toronto. Sheila spent 25 years as a missionary with Africa Inland Mission Int. Canada. Sheila was a member of Calvary Church Toronto where she enjoyed teaching Sunday School and caring for the children in the Nursery.

Sheila was pre-deceased by father John William (1968), mother Margaret nee Crawford (1969), and Nephew Bruce (2005)

Sheila will be lovingly remembered by her brother Ron Burgess (Edyth) Rose Bay NS, her niece Shelley(Grey), nephews Mike, Blair, and Kevin (Pat).

Sheila will also be fondly remembered by her great nieces and nephews, her great-great nieces and nephews, many cousins, her extended church family and friends.

Sheila has been cremated and a family service will be held at a later date in Nova Scotia. We would ask that all who knew and loved Sheila take a few minutes to share a memory with a friend, sing a favorite hymn as Sheila love to sing, and pause to say a pray for her and her journey home to be with her Lord.

The family would like to thank the Nurses, Dr A. Akintan, Pastor Shawn Van De Visch and all the staff of Nisbet Lodge for their loving care of Sheila. Their

care and support was greatly appreciated.

Memorial Donations in Sheila's name may be made to Nisbet Lodge 740  
Pape Ave. Toronto. M4K 3S7 .

Condolences may be send directly to the family at [Sheilae003@gmail.com](mailto:Sheilae003@gmail.com) or  
may be left at [www.aftercare.org](http://www.aftercare.org)

# Tribute Wall

JP

“ Ron and Edyth, for some reason, this just showed up on my Messenger Messages today! I have no idea why it has taken so long.

Sheila was a friend of mine for more years than I can count. We first met at Camp Cherith at Walkerton Ontario when I was a CIT, and she came on staff one summer. She started attending Calvary when she went to OBC, and she did some of her Christian Education practica in our Pioneer Girls Clubs. We shared an interest in crafts and enjoyed many hours together as we visited along with other friends.

I placed a poinsettia in memory of Shelia at Calvary this Christmas, and I am now enjoying it as it sits on my plant stand at home.

I will miss her, but I rejoice that she is now "At home" in Heaven, free from pain and suffering and worshipping her Saviour, who she loved and served so well.

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**Judy Panter** - January 03, 2020 at 03:39 PM

JB

“ I was Canadian Director of Africa Inland Mission in the last years that Sheila served in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Whenever I sent out a news bulletin or emailed urgent prayer requests to our workers Sheila was the first one to reply saying she was praying for us. And I knew she was! When she came home from Africa she never missed our Toronto-area banquets and prayer meetings.

Sheila faced big challenges returning to Canada when we had to evacuate her from Congo and no other position in Africa fit her skill set. She rolled up her sleeves and took the training to be a legal assistant. She thrived in the downtown Toronto office world for another decade.

Though she worked downtown, the love for children that she had in Congo came home with her and she served faithfully in the Nursery and Sunday School at Calvary Church. What an example! We miss Sheila but we also rejoice that she is now with the Saviour she loved--freed from this life's limitations.

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**John P. Brown** - November 22, 2019 at 09:46 AM

SB

Thank you for sharing. Aunt Sheila set arrest example to others! As her niece I learned many things from her

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**Shelley Burgess-Butler** - December 21, 2019 at 11:41 AM

SD

“ My condolences to Sheila's family on her passing. She was always a joy to speak with. I knew Sheila from my working in the Africa Inland Mission Canadian office. Sincerely, Sharon Disley

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**Sharon Disley** - November 21, 2019 at 01:45 PM

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Ginny McMillan - November 21, 2019 at 12:12 PM

GM

*Sheila was such an encouragement to us at Rethy. She loved all of our "kids" and never tired of making ever opportunity to be with them. She especially thrilled our Jane and Tommy with "piki" rides (motorcycle) and great meals! We have so many fun stories and knew her handle as "Sheila Chalet." What a delight to know that she is rejoicing with her Savior and so many friends. She has a huge place in our hearts! (Ginny and Ken McMillan)*

Ginny McMillan - November 24, 2019 at 08:16 PM

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Shelley Burgess-Butler - November 19, 2019 at 07:39 PM

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“ Rest In Peace Auntie Sheila! We will miss you! I love you! 🦋🦋

Shelley Burgess-Butler - November 19, 2019 at 07:38 PM

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**Shelley Burgess-Butler** - November 19, 2019 at 07:33 PM