



## Ruth Elizabeth Schilling

September 9, 1947 - December 8, 2022

Ruth Elizabeth Schilling, age 75, of Chicago's northside, passed away at her home in Uptown on December 8, 2022.

Born in Seattle, Washington on September 9, 1947. Ruth graduated from Stadium High School in Tacoma, Washington before attending Tacoma Community College.

In 1972 she moved to San Francisco where she lived until acting and theater brought her to Chicago.

Ruth was an actor, opera singer, and tap dancer. Ruth loved the theater and spent all of her adult life either acting in plays or helping with the production of them. Her career involved acting and dance for Steppenwolf Theater, proof reading for a public relations firm Edelman's Chicago, as well as handling word processing for legal firms in Chicago.

Preceded in death by parents Herbert and Helen Schilling and her nephew Jared Schilling.

Beloved sister of Charlotte (Michael) Kessler of Las Vegas, Nevada and Herb (Doris) Schilling of Sedro Wooley, Washington.

Proud aunt of Jennifer Daugherty and Jade Schilling. Great aunt of Iris May Schilling, Tyler and Charlotte Daugherty.

Celebration of life Sunday, April 30, 2023, 2:00P.M. at the Second Unitarian Church - Chicago, 656 West Barry Avenue, Chicago, IL 60657.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to Steppenwolf theater of Chicago.

Arrangements entrusted to Inclusive Funeral Care, 773-318-1305 or [www.inclusivefuneralcare.com](http://www.inclusivefuneralcare.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR **30**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Second Unitarian Church-Chicago  
656 West Barry Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60657

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to learn of Ruth's passing. I have been trying to reach her in the last few weeks, I was helping her find senior housing. I am so glad for my brief friendship with her. She was a bright light, .so smart and conversant and interesting. I hope her passing was peaceful. I would like to hear from family and friends. Kathleen Trainor. Trainor.kathleen@yahoo.com.

Kathleen Trainor - January 18, 2023 at 10:42 PM

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“ Ruth & I met at the first rehearsal for *Canticle of the Sun*, written and directed by William J. Norris. As we were passing around the paper with all of our contact information we were startled to learn that we were neighbors, 2 doors apart. That was the beginning of a long and lovely friendship. We shared a lot of laughter together.



Marilyn Herrs - January 05, 2023 at 08:16 PM



I too met Ruth during "Canticle of the Sun" and have been friends ever since. We'd meet at Anne Sathers regularly and catch up. She was and is a gentle, loving spirit who brightened my life. Gratitude and blessings.

John Green - January 27, 2023 at 02:30 PM



“ *Express Sympathy and Condolences "I Have You in My Heart" with Butterfly Wind Chime was purchased for the family of Ruth Elizabeth Schilling.*



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December 22, 2022 at 06:31 PM