



Alan Robert Shucard

December 2, 1935 - January 16, 2018

Alan Robert Shucard, age 82, passed away on Tuesday, January 16, 2018, in Racine, WI.

Alan was born to Jack and Dorothy (nee: Weber) Shucard on December 2, 1935, in Brooklyn, New York. He was united in marriage to Maureen O'Higgins in June of 1962 and were married for 37 years. His wife, Maureen, passed in March of 2000. Alan was an English professor at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside for a number of years.

Alan was a distinguished teacher and published books of poetry and literary criticism. Alan cherished his family and he will be dearly missed.

Left to cherish Alan's memory is his daughter, Sarah Wilson (nee: Shucard); brother, Stephen (Sharon) Shucard; step-sister, Susan Hensel; grandchildren: Jessica Scheck and Rebecca, Scott, and Nicholas Wilson; nieces: Deborah Calvert and Jennifer Simmons; as well as many great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

Alan is preceded in death by his wife, Maureen Shucard; his parents, Jack and Dorothy Shucard; and his step-mother, Lillian Shucard.

A celebration of Alan's life will be held on Monday, January 22, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. at Wilson Funeral Home (1212 Lathrop Ave.). There will be a time of visitation from noon until the time of the service. Online condolences can be made out at www.wilsonfuneralhomeinc.com. Memorials have been suggested to the Alzheimer's Association of Southeastern Wisconsin (620 South 76th Street, Suite 160, Milwaukee, WI 53214).

Events

JAN **Visitation** 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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1212 Lathrop Ave, Racine, WI, US, 53405

JAN **Celebration of Life** 01:00PM

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Comments



“ Alan was a cherished member of Milwaukee Friends Meeting (Quakers) for many years. He possessed an urbane wit combined with a quiet kindness, both of which enriched our time in worship as well as the fellowship that followed. His Light was and will continue to be a part of our community for a long time to come.

Wendy Henning - January 25, 2018 at 09:16 PM



“ Alan was senior faculty when I first started teaching at UW-Parkside, and a valued colleague for several decades. He quietly helped in all sorts of ways, but most especially when I first became department chair in the 1980s. He was equally as good about reminding me and others to attend to life outside academia: when he heard I was going to Madison for an event, he stopped by my office and said "Ella's Deli". I had no idea what it was, but he said I had to stop there on the way into the city for a meal. I did, and it became a family tradition every time we went through the city after that. He certainly will be missed.

Wendy Leeds-Hurwitz - January 25, 2018 at 12:41 PM



“ I was sorry to have missed the celebration of Alan's life, though I was fortunate to share much of it as a colleague at UW-Parkside. He was ever a gentleman whose wit was warmed by kindness. Alan would often stop to give me a lift when I was still riding the bus to campus. I have fond memories of our commuter conversations. My condolences to his family and many friends.
Siegfried Christoph

Siegfried Christoph - January 23, 2018 at 01:39 PM



“ I will be unable to attend the service. I have fond memories of Alan as a friend and as a colleague at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. His learning and wit was a gift to all of us. Wayne G. Johnson

Wayne Gustave Johnson - January 22, 2018 at 12:03 PM



“ thank you Wayne.

Sarah Wilson - January 22, 2018 at 04:57 PM



“ One word always comes to mind when thinking of Alan, and that is "kind." During my undergraduate years at Parkside as an English major, he guided me gently and was patient with my youthful stupidities and my immature interpretations. Yet I always felt respected, and his courses deepened my love of American literature, especially poets like Whitman and Dickinson. He pushed me to be a better thinker, and his regular struggles with back issues incited my sympathy. After I graduated and missed the intellectual rigor of classes, he encouraged me to pursue further education and helped get me into graduate school, leading ultimately to a Ph.D. Without him, I would have been adrift, and I am deeply saddened by his passing. He was a true gentleman-scholar, and the world is a lesser place without his presence.

Monty Ernst (Kalamazoo, MI)

Monty Ernst - January 21, 2018 at 06:51 PM



“ love Li, Crissy Sam Vitez and David O'Higgins xxx purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Alan Robert Shucard.



love Li, Crissy Sam Vitez and David O'Higgins xxx - January 20, 2018 at 03:28 PM



“ Professor Shucard was chair of the English Department when I attended UW-P. I remember him to this day as the kindest and most helpful instructor to his students. One of my favorite classes was taught by Professor Shucard, and I remember it often as I dig deeper into a book. There still is magic in holding the printed word in your hands, and he helped me to discover that for which I will ever be thankful! God bless.
Susan

Susan - January 20, 2018 at 11:33 AM



“ Alan was a dear friend who was instrumental in my development as a person, a professor, and an academic leader. He went out of the way to buck me up when he sensed I needed it. He showed me how a truly persuasive letter of recommendation read. He approached me in 1976 to ask me to head UW-Parkside's Center for Teaching Excellence, and my life changed forever. He took over my classes when I had to be away because of my father's death. He modeled the kind of collegial leadership that I found so compelling at our university, and that became hard to find when I went elsewhere. One cold winter evening I was invited to dinner by the Shucards, I had a terrible cold. To this day I regret being such a pathetic dinner guest to such terrific people. Alan was, as you all know, a sensitive and enlightening poet who lived a full life in and out of the academy. How many of you know that he played basketball for St. Andrews University in Scotland, or that he was part of a military unit running the blockade to Berlin? He and Maureen are missed!

Peter Hoff - January 19, 2018 at 03:43 PM



“ Carol Lee Saffioti-Hughes lit a candle in memory of Alan Robert Shucard



Carol Lee Saffioti-Hughes - January 19, 2018 at 02:45 PM



“ Alan and Maureen were very kind to me when I lost my daughter in a tragic accident. They invited me to dinner, and made effort to reach out to my mother especially. When he had learned she was Scots, they had invited her to visit when I first came to Parkside. He had attended St. Andrews and mother knew it well, as the family returned to Scotland for long periods of time. We were all proud of Sarah when she became a medical professional and I was pleased to see her at the clinic that I used, when she first earned her license.

Carol Lee Saffioti-Hughes - January 19, 2018 at 02:43 PM



“ It was nice to see you today. Thank you for all the memories . you and Carl were part of my life growing up, you both looked as I remembered.

Sarah Wilson - January 22, 2018 at 04:56 PM



“ Your "Family" at Forefront Dermatology purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Alan Robert Shucard.



Your "Family" at Forefront Dermatology - January 19, 2018 at 01:13 PM



“ For several years Alan and I along with other Quakers made pastoral visits to Waupun Correctional Facility. He was the epitome of compassion and intellect. The conversations there and on the drive up and back were rich and memorable. He has been a brilliant light in my life and against the darkness of the men we visited.

Glen Copper - January 19, 2018 at 01:32 AM