Pam Furnace comments about Shirl Passman who died March 22, 2014 taken from Facebook.

Believe most of you have heard by now that the world lost a shining light last night. My soul sister, lifelong best friend, roommate, co-conspirator in hilarity, motivator, hand-holder and inspiration, Shirl Passman, lost her battle with pancreatic cancer Saturday night. Her daughter, Wendy, son-in-law, Rick, cousin, Phil, grandchildren, Myla and Braden, and I were able to be with her to ease her passage.

Services will be Tuesday, 3/25 at 11:00 am at Temple Beth Elohim in Acton, with burial at Beit Olam Cemetery in Wayland after. We will have an open house here at home following with Shiva Minyan at 7:00. We would love to see all her friends to share stories and lend mutual support. (Please drop in anytime and you do not need to stay for the Minyan and prayers.) We will gather again Wed at home for anyone who would like to share the Minyan at 7:00.

Shirl asked specifically that we celebrate her life rather than her passing and we intend to honor her request. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Theatre III (250 Central St, Acton, MA) or to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Boston. We will plan a real celebration in the coming few months.

Thank you everyone for the amazing outpouring of affection for Shirl. I am so very touched by how many of you have posted your headshots she took of you--a most fitting tribute to her talents.