

Carol Shields 1935-2003

The family of author Carol Shields announces with sorrow her death Wednesday evening, July 16, 2003 in Victoria, BC, at the age of 68, of complications from breast cancer. Carol leaves her husband Don; her children, John Shields, Anne Shields Giardini, Catherine Shields, Meg Shields and Sara Cassidy Shields, their spouses Audrey, Tony, Edward, Richard and Simon; and her grandchildren, Grace and Jay Shields, Joseph, Nicholas and Sofia Giardini, Evan and Eli Dzik, Rebecca and Emma Yampolsky-Shields, and Hazel and Ezra Shields. Carol also leaves her brother Robert Warner and sister Barbara Hipple, many nephews and nieces, and countless friends and readers.

Carol Shields forged a pathway that many are following. She helped bring Manitoba and Canadian writers into world focus. She was Manitoba's only Pulitzer Prize winner. She also received the Order of Canada. Her novel, *The Stone Diaries* won a Pulitzer Prize and a Governor General's Award and was short listed for the Booker Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award.

She encouraged aspiring writers and helped shape the Canadian literary scene with her teaching at the University of Ottawa, the University of British Columbia and the University of Manitoba. She continued this tradition when, she became chancellor of the University of Winnipeg in 1996.

Credits: University of Manitoba