

Sally Ursula Robinson Sharp



Sally Ursula Robinson Sharp passed away at North Memorial Hospital in Minnesota on May 22, 2023. She was born on May 18, 1940, in Baltimore, MD, the fifth child of Vernon and Lucia Robinson. After graduation from Western High School (all girls) she went on to Morgan State University in Baltimore where she earned a BA in Political Science, after which she became one of the earliest Peace Corp Volunteers, serving in the Dominican Republic from 1962 to 1964.

In the midst of graduate studies at Pennsylvania State University for an MA in Public Administration, she was recruited by U.S. Agency for International Development, with her first posting being in Jamaica, where she met her first husband, Max Sharp. She had extensive international experience with USAID in the Caribbean, Latin America and the African nations of Togo, Niger, Mauritania, and Burkina Faso.

In preparation for these postings, she pursued development studies at American University, the University of Puerto Rico in Piedras, Puerto Rico, as well as the University of West Indies.

Sally was predeceased by first husband Max, her siblings Leslie, John (Jack), Vernon “Ben” and Roderick “Roddy”. She is survived by her husband Brian W. Wells of LeSuer, MN, her sisters Zoe Carroll Robinson, Grace Elizabeth Robinson and Linda Anku, nephews Rik Robinson and Rex Anku, niece Mia Robinson, stepsons, Jon Sharp, Evan “Betsy” Sharp and other family members, including many cousins.