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In the most recent “Friends Magazine,” some details about Shiny Black Evans’s life and family were left out. Friends School of Baltimore deeply apologizes. Please read the corrected story here, which, in particular, acknowledges Sally Evans Yost ’77, Madison Yost ’15, Winslow Yost ’17 and Keifer Yost ’19.

Shiny’s Legacy

In the words of Middleton Evans, son of Anne “Shiny” Black Evans ’54, “Giving was simply part of my mom’s DNA.” A devoted alumna and former Trustee, Shiny had a profound impact on Friends School of Baltimore. As a student, Shiny co-captained basketball and field hockey, was a cheerleader, co-edited the “Quaker Quill,” participated in Senate, Glee Club and the Welfare Committee, and helped lead the annual Bazaar. Her nickname derived from her shiny black eyes, and she’s remembered for describing everything as “the finest!”

Shiny had a passion for education. She attended Northwestern University, Cornell University and Towson University. While raising her family in Baltimore, she continued to strengthen her connection to Friends. To her delight, daughter Sally Evans Yost ’77, and grandchildren Madison Yost ’15, Winslow Yost ’17 and Keifer Yost ’19 followed in her footsteps and are also graduates of Friends School.

For over fifty years, she shared her fundraising expertise, deepened relationships within the community, and supported Friends School through her and husband Bob’s personal giving. To name just two of her contributions, Shiny led the campaign to build the Zamoiski Alumni Center and made a major gift to name the Forbush Auditorium Lobby after beloved friend and long-time Friends School director of development, Gayle Latshaw H’12.

In typical Shiny fashion, she did not allow her own passing to interfere with her generosity. She named Friends as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy, the proceeds of which will grow the School’s financial assistance program through The Robert A. Nicolls Scholarship. Shiny will be greatly missed. Her enduring legacy will always be the joy and wisdom she brought to philanthropy and her family’s multi-generational connection to Friends.