

### **BIO Peggy Shivers**

Peggy Shivers is a graduate of Portland State University where she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education and of Ball State University where she earned a Master of Science Degree in Guidance and Counseling. She has always been very involved in music, however, and did advanced studies in vocal performance at La Escueala Superior de Canto in Madrid Spain.

Ms. Shivers taught in the Portland Public Schools and in the San Francisco Independent School District before moving to Spain with her husband, Clarence Shivers. They lived in Spain for ten years returning to the States in 1979.

Since settling in Colorado Springs in 1979, Ms. Shivers has been very active in the community. For many years, she produced and was a segment host of the "Involvement Show" at KKTV. She has been guest soloist with the Colorado Springs Symphony, the Colorado Springs Chorale, the Tabor Concert Series, the Fine Arts Center and many other venues. She, along with her husband, established the Shivers Fund at Pikes Peak Library District.

Monies from this fund are used to expand the African American Historical and Cultural Collection at the library as well as provide grants and numerous educational opportunities for the young people in the Colorado Springs community. In addition, this fund sponsors a classical concert series featuring up and coming young singers and instrumentalists both from Colorado Springs and across the country. A five-day event called The Celebration is held biennially during the Thanksgiving holiday to raise funds in support of this project.

Ms. Shivers has served on many boards over the years including the Symphony, Dance Theatre, AAUW, Urban League, NAACP, B&C at Colorado College, PPLD Foundation and others. She is honored that a local charter school has been named Shivers Academy of Arts and Technology.

She is a recent widow of Clarence Shivers who was well known as an artist and sculptor as well as for being one of the original Tuskegee Airmen. His statue of a Tuskegee Airman stands in the Honor Court at the United States Air Force Academy.

She is the mother of one son, Hugh Flake, II and two stepdaughters, Karen and Sandra Shivers.