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The people in your life are like the pillars on your porch. Sometimes they hold you up, and sometimes they lean on you. Sometimes it's enough to know they are standing by.

~Merle Shain

Loving can cost a lot but not loving always cost more.

~Merle Shain

The act is unjustifiable that either begs for a blessing, or, having succeeded gives no thanksgiving.

~Merle Shain

One can never change the past, only the hold it has on you, and while nothing in your life is reversible, you can reverse it nevertheless.

~Merle Shain

One often learns more from ten days of agony than from ten years of contentment.

~Merle Shain

Loving can cost a lot but not loving always costs more, and those who fear to love often find that want of love is an emptiness that robs the joy from life.

~Merle Shain

Sex deepens love and love deepens sex, so physical intimacy transforms everything and playing with it is playing with fire.

~Merle Shain

Most women would rather have someone whisper their name at optimum moments than rocket with contractions to the moon.

~Merle Shain

Our strength is in our dreams, and those who do not dare to dream

damn themselves.

~Merle Shain

Friends are people who help you be more yourself, more the person you are intended to be.

~Merle Shain

Friends are like windows through which you see out into the world and back into yourself. If you don't have friends you see much less than you otherwise might.

~Merle Shain

The answer doesn't lie in learning how to protect ourselves from life-it lies in learning how to become strong enough to let a bit more of it in.

~Merle Shain

Loving someone means helping them to be more themselves, which can be different from being what you'd like them to be, although often they turn out the same

~Merle Shain

If there are no endings, there are no beginnings and you see no new lands, so for everything that's lost, there is usually something gained.

~Merle Shain

Life is like fording a river, stepping from one slippery stone to another, and you must rejoice every time you don't lose your balance, and learn to laugh at all the times you do.

~Merle Shain

There are many pages in the book, many kinds of lives we each can live, many ways to be rich, and even more to be poor.

~Merle Shain

No marriage is one person's failure any more than it's one person's success, so it works best to see a marriage that has ended simply as something that didn't work out.

~Merle Shain

Each of us is a seed, a silent promise, and it is always Spring.

~Merle Shain

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It takes a lot of mulch, love does, to create a froth.

~Merle Shain

Love is short, forgetting is long, and understanding longer still.

~Merle Shain

It takes great generosity to accept generosity.

~Merle Shain

But who would rush at a benighted man, and give him two black eyes for being blind?

~Merle Shain

The older I get, the clearer it becomes to me that no one is cheated in this world, unless it's by himself.

~Merle Shain

Cynicism is a form of cowardice, a failure of courage to hope.

~Merle Shain

Some men are more perfect than others.

~Merle Shain

when you put something good into the world, something good comes back to you.

~Merle Shain

Girls gave sex to get love and boys gave love to get sex and conning girls was the favorite indoor sport.

~Merle Shain

Men who take advantage of one woman take advantage of them all.

~Merle Shain

You can tell a lot about what a man lacks by watching what he is cynical about, and many of us are cynical about love.

~Merle Shain

you have to be very careful when you give to others that you don't tell them how great you are rather than how much you value them.

~Merle Shain

There are some decisions in life that only you can make.

~Merle Shain

Compassion is the thing that leads you gently back to yourself.

~Merle Shain

There are no perfect men of course, but some are more perfect than others, and we can use all of those we can get.

~Merle Shain

The best kind of men have a certainty in themselves that isn't done in when countered by a certainty in their women, and they are much adored.

~Merle Shain

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