



Sharon L. Shepard

September 9, 1945 - September 25, 2006

Shepard, Sharon L. Nee Nadeau Died Monday, September 25 surrounded by her husband, and daughters at the age of 61. She was a loving wife, mother, grandma, sister, and aunt. Born and raised in Toledo, Ohio, she graduated from McAuley High School in 1963 and then from the University of Toledo in 1977. Later, in 1985 she moved with her family to Shelby Twp. She was devoted to her family and enjoyed gardening, biking, walking, sewing, crocheting, and doing puzzles. Sharon took great pleasure in RV camping and traveling, most recently returning from a two week vacation in the Upper Peninsula, culminating with biking around Mackinac Island and walking the Mackinac Bridge on Labor Day. She was an active member of the Red Hat Society-Shelby Twp. Chapter-"Ready to Go Reds" where she made many friends. Sharon belonged to St. Kieran Catholic Church. She was preceded in death by her father Kenneth and her mother Carolyn Nadeau Nee Held. Sharon is survived by her loving husband of 39 years, Richard "Dick". Also left to cherish her memory are daughters, Christine Kevin Sheridan, Katherine Shepard, and Patricia Timothy Bieber; Grandchildren, Andrew and Jillian Bieber, Nicholas and Kellie Sheridan; Sister, Linda Thomas Gogol and numerous nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home 8459 Hall Rd. 3 Blks E. of Van Dyke Utica Thursday 2-8pm with prayers 7pm. Instate Friday 10:30am at St. Kieran Church 53600 Mound Rd. Btwn. 24-25 Mile Shelby Twp. until time of mass 11am Family request donations to the American Cancer Society Please share

a memory with the family at [www. sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

Tribute Wall



“ *Sharon L. Shepard*

March 25, 2023 at 11:03 AM



“ *I am a friend of Christine's Sheridan from work. I am so sorry for your loss. Your mother was a beautiful woman and from the other entries I have read, she was an outstanding person. My heart goes out to you and your family, Christine.*

Kellee Baker-Gaines - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dick I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Sharon. I will keep you in my prayers. If at some point you need to talk, give me a call*
Sincere Sympathy Jim

Jim Fisher - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

“ Dear Family and Friends of Sharon, My name is Tom Nowak and I was a classmate of Sharon’s at St. Vincent de Paul grade school in Toledo. When I read the obituary in the Toledo Blade, I was sad to hear the news but I was not certain it was the Sharon I knew. Today I talked to Dick and learned that she was indeed my classmate. It was very sad to hear that her death came so unexpectedly and so quickly. Perhaps her passing was a blessing for her physically but not so for her mentally or her family and friends who must share her loss. I am sure her love will remain with all of you forever. I have nothing but fond memories of our grade school years. Despite some challenges, I think we were very fortunate. The first five years, we were in old wooden school buildings that were perhaps designed after WWII military barracks. As I recall, our tuition was free but we had to pay \$6.00 per year for textbooks. With so many pleasant memories, I will pass along a few. In what I hope was one of the earlier grades we were given a homework assignment to draw a map of the United States including naming all of the states. There were only 48 then. I am sure I worked hard on the assignment and was certain my map was perfect. Sharon sat next to me. With our maps on our desks, Sharon kindly reached over and told me that DC was over there! I looked at her as if to say “really?” She did not flinch. So I grabbed my eraser and moved our nation’s capital from the state of Washington to somewhere in the East. I was actually grateful for her help but I did not have a clue how she knew that. But I knew she was pretty smart so.. We were lucky to have very good teachers in grade school. All were Nuns except for the fifth grade. In the third grade we did something to make Sister lose control, yell out loud, and leave the room. We were stunned and afraid for what may follow. Whatever we did, I knew that I could have been part of the problem and in thinking back, I know that Sharon was innocent along with many others. The guilty ones were probably talking, giggling or chewing gum. All were major offenses in those days. After about 10 minutes, Sister came back, and resumed teaching as if nothing had happened. The guilty ones let out a sigh of relief. In the sixth grade, we moved into a brand new school building. Wow! What luxury!

Sister Mary Sacred Heart was our teacher and she was the greatest. Early in the year Mike asked, "Sister, does popcorn grow on trees?" After many moments of silence, Sister said something like "let's find out." Thereafter we used an empty classroom to set up an indoor farm and grew all sorts of "stuff." Corn was definitely included in the experiment. We ended up learning much and became famous in the process. The Blade came by, took many pictures and did a nice story in the magazine section. Great memories. In the seventh grade we first experienced how difficult life could be when our classmate Jeanne Ray had her leg amputated because of cancer. She died in the eighth grade. I am sure we all wondered how this could happen and why? In life, it is normal for family and friends to go in different directions. Some stay close. Some don't. It would have been so nice if Sharon and I could have kept in touch and shared our family experiences—the good times and the not so good. It was not meant to be. But we have our memories. Sharon and her family and friends will remain in our prayers. God bless you all. Tom Nowak Toledo

Tom Nowak - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Many great and fond memories of Park Street, baking tips, sewing tips, trading babysitting, sicknesses with the kids, long talks, & kids playtime at each other's houses. I was very sorry I never made it up to your house in Shelby for a visit between old neighbors. I did like our Christmas card exchanges and telephone conversations since you moved. All of Bob's and my sincere condolences all of you and your families. With loving thoughts of Sharon, Connie Rutter 186 W Plumer, Toledo, 43605

Connie Rutter - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Dear Dick, I am so sorry to hear about your wife Sharon. I know that she was the love of your life and that you were having a great retirement together. I can't even imagine how you feel. Everyone here has you and your family in their thoughts and prayers. I'm sorry I won't be able to come to the funeral home tonight but don't think that I'm not thinking of you - because I am. You will need to keep yourself busy so please come and visit us. Take care of yourself, Connie

Connie Barnes - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Dick, so sorry for your loss. You will be in our prayers. Sincerely, Sal and Sasndy Passalacqua.

Sal Passalacqua - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I am sorry to hear of Sharon's death. We have confidence that she is now in a great place smiling down on us and will always be a part of the people's lives she touched! Your family was very special to me and my brothers and sister growing up. Please know that you all will be in our thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time.

Tom Bauman and family - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Dear Shepard Family, So sorry about your tremendous loss. I graduated from McAuley High School with Sharon in 1963 and have many fond memories of her. Later, when our children were young, I visited her and she shared her great recipe for chocolate chip cookies with me. I have never used any other recipe for those cookies, and always think of her when I make them. We have lost a very good person and a wonderful soul. With deepest sympathy,
Sharon Cutcher Stonerock

Sharon Cutcher Stonerock - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BU

“ Dick - my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Barbara Clauser - ThyssenKrupp USA - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dick - Words cannot express my sadness to hear of Sharon's passing. You too were so perfect for each other. She was a gracious lady and I know you will miss her deeply. Every day is a gift and sometimes there are precious few of them. I'm am glad you too were able to spend time together since your retirement. Keep your chin up.

Jan Spalding - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ You have our sympathy. God Bless we are praying for all. Lovingly,
Bill and Cindi Chadwick

Bill and Cindi Chadwick - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ OOPS!!! I never could type very well and I think I got cut off. Sharon didn't teach me how to use a computer. Anyway, I meant to say that I now know how to be a better mother-in-law thanks to her. Most of all, Sharon taught me the true meaning of friendship. She was an inspiration to me. I am so glad that she was in my life. I will miss her. All of you remain in my prayers. With deepest sympathy. Marie and Bo Too

Marie and Bo Bauman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ To all of Sharon's loved ones: My heart feels so heavy right now, but I can only IMAGINE how heavy your hearts must feel at this time. I believe that Sharon will always be with us as we think about the wonderful memories and the impact that she had on our lives. She was my MENTOR. She showed me how to be a loving wife, a devoted mother, and, she even shared some secrets about being a "

Marie and Bo Bauman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ KATHY SEEN YOUR MOM IN THE PAPER AND SO SORRY TO SEE AND HEAR ABOUT HER PASSING KNOW THAT YOU ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME! GOD BLESS YOU AND ALL THE FAMILY! WITH OUR DEEP SYMPATHY! TAKE CARE! CINDY AND MIKE

Cindy and Mike Landino - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I'm still in shock to hear of Sharon's passing. We spoke a few weeks ago and it sounded like you two were having the time of your life, really enjoying retirement. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Hopefully the support of all your friends will help to ease your sorrow.

Joe and Sharon Bodek - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Dick, Sharon and I wish to express our sorrow for your loss. Words mean little during this time of mourning, always remember at this moment the Lord has his arm on her shoulder and she's smiling. May God bless you and the Family

Steve and Sharon Bertram - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ My heartfelt condolences to you Dick and your children. This is such a shock and I am sure that this is so very difficult for all of you. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you continue on doing what you need to do. Mike and I send our love and prayers.

Christine Finkbeiner - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

jonnie boulware - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Dick, My prayers thoughts are with you and your children and grand children. I am truly sorry for your loss.

David Mieczkowski - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with you in your time of sorrow. Diana Holt, Sherryl Fournier, Sandy Weber, Tonya Moyer, Teresa Kraft, Pat Heisey, Steve Bertram & Sherry Whitaker

Copper and Brass Dayton Credit Dept. - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Sharon was one of my Red Hat sisters. I will miss her smile and tales of her many trips with her family. She was very gracious and good hearted and I could always count on her to go to the movies with me on our designated days...my heart is very sad.

Bonnie Pennybacker - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I regret not going out to the car to see Sharon when I ran into Dick three weeks ago at McDonald's. Dick, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Your camping trip with Sharon up North in August/September sounded wonderful and I hope you cherish those memories always and forever.

david stevenson - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Sharon was one of my Red Hat Sisters and will be missed. May she be in the glory of our precious Jesus.

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BG

“ Sharon & I were grade school & high school classmates. She was a quiet soul who found a way to make everyone her friend. She will be missed.

Barbara Georgi - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Dear Shepard family, I am so sorry to hear about Mrs. Shepards death please take my prayers and thoughts that she will be missed may god look over you and your family, and bless you all from my family to yours.

Kenny Hood - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ A mothers touch, A husbandÆs kiss, A grieving friend, youÆre greatly missed. An empty house, An empty chair, A friendÆs love, no longer there. A broken heart, a tear filled eye, Another soul to fill the sky. No more smile on your face. No more warmth of your embrace Realizing thatÆs all I have to hold on too, Are the memories of what was you. Missing your laugh, I will never again hear. That is the reality that fills me with so much fear. The times we shared, the laughs we had, I miss you Sharon, and it makes me sad. The last hug, the last kiss, The last goodbye leaves me with one last wish. To have you Sharon, here today. Never to leave your friends this way. A mothers touch, A husbandÆs kiss. A grieving friend, youÆre greatly missed.

Cathy Brunkey QM of "Ready to Go Red's" - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Dear Dick and family, my sister Marie just called me to tell me about the death of your beloved wife and mother. My deepest sympathy and prayers are with all of you in a very special way. The love you have for Sharon will never die but live on in your hearts and your lives. I have fond memories of our get togethers at Maries and I treasure those memories and the gift of your friendship. May God's gentle peace embrace and comfort you.

Sister Jeanne Marie Glorioso, H.M. - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM