



Sara Ann Sherman

August 6, 1958 - October 11, 2024

After the passing of Sara Sherman 1958-2024

One of the most giving and kind humans we know, Sara Ann Sherman, 66, of Hobart, Indiana, died peacefully but unexpectedly at home on October 11, 2024.

Sara was born in Bedford, Pennsylvania on August 6, 1958, to Bill and Dorothy Smith. The family soon moved to Chicagoland; Sara's siblings include Steve Smith, Bob Smith, (Karen) Gail Ishii, and Jan Sisk. Sara attended Carl Sandburg High School and was proud to attain her bachelor's degree in 2009 after studies at Joliet Junior College and Governor's State University. Military service was important to Sara and her family, as her father was a Korean War veteran, her uncles were World War II veterans, and her siblings Steve and Gail were Vietnam War veterans. She was known to thank a veteran if she saw one out and about.

Sara met the love of her life, Chris Sherman, in Tinley Park, Illinois. The couple married on June 10, 1978, and built a life of laughter and service to others. Chris and Sara had two daughters, Valerie and Michelle, who fondly remember growing up watching their father play drums and proudly having their mother serve as a Girl Scout volunteer. Sara was a lifelong active volunteer in the Girl Scouts, the United Methodist Church of New Lenox, and recently at Portage Resale Shop.

Everyone who knew Sara knew how much she loved crocheting and sewing. She made hundreds of blankets over her life, often for family but sometimes

for strangers. It was a common story among family and friends that one of Sara's baby blankets was a child's favorite snuggly, unable to sleep without it. Her daughters particularly find her blankets the most comfortable in the world. Sara will always be remembered for her giving nature; it is possible that "The Giving Tree" was a biography of her life. We loved her potato salad, deviled eggs, soft chocolate chip cookies, and peanut butter chocolate balls. She enjoyed 10 years in her house on Lake George in Hobart, IN, loving boat rides and the view of swans and other wildlife. She loved a cozy night in with a good movie, especially anything starring Nicolas Cage ("Nikky Baby"). That said, she could often be spotted composing a multi-verse poem on the spot in a wedding guest book, and she loved to laugh, and people watch. She was literally super-mom (even if she wasn't your mom technically) and we will miss her every day.

Sara was preceded in death by her husband Chris and her parents Bill and Dorothy, and she is survived by daughters Valerie and Michelle; siblings Steve, Bob, Gail, and Jan; and many nieces and nephews.

Family will host a celebration of life for Sara on Sunday, November 10 from 12 to 4 p.m. (open house, food served) at the New Lenox, Illinois VFW Post #9545. In lieu of flowers, you can remember Sara best by donating your time or money to a charity that means something to you (Girl Scouts or the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society were causes that were important to Sara and her family). Burns Funeral Home & Crematory entrusted with arrangements. www.BurnsFuneral.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **10**. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

VFW Post #9545 New Lenox
323 Old Hickory Rd
New Lenox, IL 60451

Tribute Wall

LB

“ Love, Linda and Burt purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Sara Ann Sherman.



Love, Linda and Burt - November 09, 2024 at 07:58 AM

LB

“ Love, Linda and Burt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sara Ann Sherman.

Love, Linda and Burt - November 09, 2024 at 07:58 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Sara Ann Sherman.



October 28, 2024 at 11:06 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sara Ann Sherman.

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LH

“ Love The Hobsons purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sara Ann Sherman.



Love The Hobsons - October 23, 2024 at 07:32 AM

LH

“ Love The Hobsons planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sara Ann Sherman.

Love The Hobsons - October 23, 2024 at 07:32 AM

EA

“ Elise Adams lit a candle in memory of Sara Ann Sherman



Elise Adams - October 22, 2024 at 09:44 PM

CT

“ Carrie And Chris Trent lit a candle in memory of Sara Ann Sherman



Carrie and Chris Trent - October 17, 2024 at 03:11 PM

CV

“ *Carrie, Chris And Valentina lit a candle in memory of Sara Ann Sherman*



Carrie, Chris and Valentina - October 17, 2024 at 03:09 PM

MW

“ *Sara and I had so many great times together on the pontoon, gossiping, playing games at her house, or just driving around. She was a special lady and I will never forget her... hugs to Michelle and Valerie.*

Monica Wolak-Castro - October 16, 2024 at 12:03 PM