



Sharon "Shari" Sue Summerson

October 8, 1946 - April 17, 2022

Sharon (Shari) Summerson (Archer), 75 years of age, passed away 04/17/2022 at Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville with her daughter at her bedside. She was born in Dayton, Ohio to Harold Archer and Lorell Archer (White). She graduated from Adrian High School. She continued her education receiving her master's degree in special education from Eastern Michigan.

Upon completing her master's degree in special education, she taught for 35 years in elementary special education, before retiring in 2013. She made such an amazing impact on her students and on all those that had the privilege of working with her and learning from her.

She lived life to the fullest. To know her was to love her. She loved going to the beach, art festivals, concerts, exploring local theaters, museums, and art galleries. She enjoyed cooking and baking for her family and friends. She received a miracle of a single lung transplant in December 2014 due to diagnosis of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis which became life threatening quickly. After she received this miracle of life, she did not take one day of her life for granted. She always valued the gift of life she was given through from her organ donor and their family. She spent her days loving her family and building wonderful memories. She also made a decision to return to the Catholic Church. She very active with the Catholic Church by volunteering with the food pantry, Saint Vincent DePaul, and she was an usher. She also

volunteered with her local donate for life charity.

Shari is survived by her: son; Ted (Donna) Ludlow; daughter; Rachel (Frankie) Hester, grandchildren; Aaron (Faith), Sarah, Michael, Nicholas, Mickey (Patrick), Charlie, Patrick, Mackenzie, and Duncan, great-grandchildren; Summer, Branson, Emma, Hunter, Gabe, Benji, Oliver, and Dawson; sisters, Shawn Harris, and Lori Archer; close friends Mason (Sarah) Ludlow, along with many nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Harold Archer and Lorell Archer, and her sister Renee Howard.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a future date with the gathering of close family members.

In honor of Shari's memory, we would love for you to consider the gift of blood donation and organ donation by registering as an organ donor.

Monetary donations would be appreciated in remembrance of her to the organizations of your local chapter of donate for life, pulmonary fibrosis foundation, your local catholic church food pantry, or any charity of your choice.

Flowers, gifts, or cards can be sent to our home:

Daughter- Rachel (Frank) Hester 274 Roaring Brook Dr. St. Augustine, FL 32084 or

Son- Ted (Donna) Ludlow 4510 Broadway St, Clarklake, MI 49234.

St Johns Family Funeral Home & Crematory is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sharon "Shari" Sue Summerson*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 28, 2022 at 11:38 AM

CB

Beautiful and Full life! Miss you dear cousin! Love, Cindy

Cynthia Fay Basham - April 28, 2022 at 02:01 PM

HT

Everybody needs a good friend like Shari. She had a warm heart, cute personality and always had a smile on her face. We had fun serving in the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry together for several years. We liked going to the Casinos and Movies ... always had lots of laughs and fun. Shari was a one of kind person. RIP, Dear Friend. Love, Hank

Henrietta Toth - April 28, 2022 at 06:57 PM

CC

Shari and I were both special educators and shared many stories from our educational careers. She was a wonderful teacher and mentor of many. I admired her tenacity and downright stubbornness in refusing to give up on life during her health difficulties. Shari taught us so much how to truly live the life you are given, and carry your crosses with dignity and faith. She was the epitome of a true Vincentian and she will be missed by all she left behind. Rest well, dear Shari...you have earned it!

Celestine Chappell

Celestine Chappell - April 29, 2022 at 08:44 AM

RH

Thank you all for sharing such beautiful memories and the love and joy you experienced with my mom. She was truly a strong and amazing woman. She lived life to the fullest and cherished every experience with every person in her life. Beautiful memories! ❤️

Rachel Hester - May 02, 2022 at 07:51 AM

RH

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Rachel Hester - May 02, 2022 at 07:54 AM

DQ

“ *I can't think of Shari without thinking of lemon bars and cucumber sandwiches. She was always baking something to share at school. Even after she retired, she occasionally visited with her sweets. She was also an exceptional teacher. Everyone who met her loved her.*

Debra Quinones - May 02, 2022 at 07:38 AM

RH

Thank you for sharing such beautiful and happy memories. She was so blessed to be a part of the Meadow Lake family and love teaching with all of you. Her lemon bars and cucumber sandwiches were so good. She shared her love through her baking and cooking.

Rachel Hester - May 02, 2022 at 07:45 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sharon "Shari" Sue Summerson.*



May 01, 2022 at 11:33 PM



“ *Rest in Peace Shari.
8 hours or so after I was married I made the long drive to Lake Lee-Ann to show off my new bride.
You were there. So was Shawn as I recall.*

*I also recall my visit to Cleveland when you lived there.
My own family had moved and I was a lonely kid in need of friends.
Friends were hard to make. We had moved from NY back to MI in June.
Not much chance to meet new people or make new friends.
School was out for the summer!*

You befriended me at a young age and I remember it these many years later.

John R. Carroll

John Carroll - April 29, 2022 at 11:04 AM



Thank you for sharing wonderful memories with us. She was such a special person and loved celebrating life events and joy with everyone. You were very special to her. Sending you love.

Rachel Hester - May 02, 2022 at 07:47 AM

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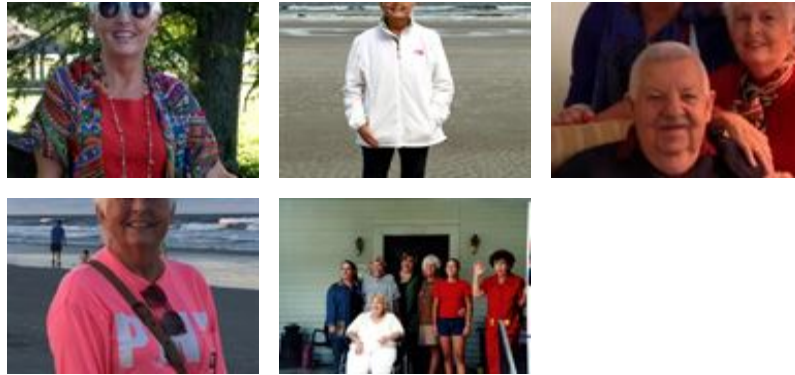
“ *She was my amazing mother, best friend, and beautiful human. I miss you so much. We had so much fun doing life together even in the hard times somehow we always found tons of love and laughter together. Until we meet again in heaven, I wish for you to have peace. My heart will always ache for you here on earth.*



Rachel Hester - April 29, 2022 at 08:23 AM



“ 17 files added to the album Life Tributes



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 28, 2022 at 11:40 AM