

In Memory Of
Sharon Gayle Kleppinger

Date of Birth
July 3, 1952

Date of Death
February 20, 2024

Memorial Service
11:00 A.M. Saturday, March 9, 2024

Zion Lutheran Church
Ellendale, North Dakota

Officiating: Pastor Paul Preus
Organist: Pat Rutschke
Accompanist: Sharon Langly
Soloist: Michelle Waldholm
"The Old Rugged Cross"

Congregational Singing

"God Loved the World So That He Gave "	#571
"How Great Thou Art"	#801
"Amazing Grace"	#744
"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"	#922

Urn Bearers

Ronnie Schock	Richard Schock
Matthew Nitschke	Joseph Nitschke

Honorary Urn Bearers

Sharon's nieces and nephews.

Burial

There will be a private burial.

Arrangements by

Hoven Funeral Chapel, Ellendale, North Dakota



They that wait upon the *Lord* shall
renew their strength;
They shall mount up with
wings as eagles;
They shall run
and not be weary;
They shall walk,
and not be faint.

Isaiah 40:31

Sharon Gayle (Nitschke) Kleppinger, 71 of Ellendale, ND died February 20, 2024 at Benedictine Living Community, Ellendale. Sharon was born July 3, 1952 to Fred and Elsie Nitschke in Ellendale. As a young girl, she traveled with her family as her father's work took them to many places. In 1970 she graduated from high school. She furthered her education at Long Beach State in Long Beach, CA. In 1977 Sharon married David Kleppinger. Through the years Sharon did daycare, and was employed at Cenex, Kedish House, Dickey Sargent Housing, Ellendale Hospital, TBC, and the Ellendale Bakery where they met. She loved riding motorcycles with Dave, bingo, and playing pinochle which she enjoyed until about 6 months before her death. At the nursing home, Sharon was the Resident Council President. She always had a smile and full of spit & vinegar. Sharon was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Ellendale and the Fireman's Auxiliary for over 30 years.

Sharon is survived by her daughter Michelle Ranee Kleppinger and granddaughters: Michaela Kleppinger and Mackenzie Gunn; special sons: Michael (Jeff) Vetsch, Phillip (Courtney) Vetsch, Matthew (Krystal) Vetsch and Billy "Goober" Vetsch; sisters: Janice (John) Stefanowicz, Patricia (Rick) Brewer, Diane (Doug) Ulmer, Janell Berg; brother Daryl (Tina) Nitschke; sister-in-law: Crystal (Merwin) Ulstead.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, aunts, uncles, sister: Darlene; brothers-in-law: Ronnie, Robbie, Bill, Bob and niece, Heidi.