



Elaine Sharp

December 10, 1940 - March 28, 2009

Elaine Sharp, 68, Bismarck, died March 28, 2009, at her home. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 11:30 AM at Cathedral of the Holy Spirit in Bismarck. Burial will be at the North Dakota Veteran's Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 5:00 – 9:00 PM at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway, Bismarck, and will continue on Wednesday one hour prior to the service at the church. Elaine was born on December 10, 1940, in Mandan, ND, the daughter of Ralph and Frances Morrell Heck. She was the middle of three children and the only daughter. Elaine attended first and second grade in the Square Butte school near her home in south Oliver County. In third grade, her family moved to a farm north of Mandan, where she attended St. Joseph's school through eighth grade, graduating in 1954. She then attended Mandan High School where she graduated in 1958. After high school, Elaine attended Dickinson State Teacher's College until 1960. She then took a job in Bismarck for Northern National Insurance Company. On September 3, 1962, Elaine married Dean Sharp in Mandan. She continued to work while raising their three children. She moved on to the Gold Seal Company in 1967 and then moved to the Amoco now Tesoro Refinery in Mandan where she worked until retiring in June 2000. Elaine is survived by her three children; one daughter, Dawn Walker of Maple Valley, WA; two sons, Brian Sharp of Bismarck, and Craig Sharp of Denver, CO; five grandchildren, Courtney, Andrew, and Taylor Walker, and Olivia and Hannah Sharp; and two brothers, James Heck of Bismarck, and Melvin Heck of Hauppauge, NY. She

was preceded in death by her husband, Dean Sharp, and her parents. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Tribute Wall

HN

“ I worked with Elaine at the Mandan refinery for many years. She was always a lady and well respected. She will be missed by all. Howard and Dottie Neils

Howard and Dottie Neils - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ Dawn, Brian and Craig: It is with the deepest of sympathies that I write on the passing of your mother. What a great lady. I went to St. Joseph grade school and Mandan high school with her and several years ago she was a great help in pulling a group together to have mini-reunions whenever I was able to get to Bismarck from my home in Kansas. Then, as I trust you know, she was the one person instrumental in organizing last year's 50th High School reunion. Without her it wouldn't have happened. What a great, great even it was. First time in 50 years that many of us saw each other again. It was especially pleasing to see your mother there, She looked great as ever and she inspired the entire class. Sorry that I will not be able to make the funeral, but have been and will continue to pray for her daily. While I can imagine how hard it has been for all of you, as special tribute to Brian who took care of her daily through this long ordeal. God Bless all of you and your mother. Gary Maddock

Gary L. Maddock - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ Jim and Mel - I'm sorry to read of Elaine's death. I know she had been suffering and truly offer my sincere sympathy and prayers. Looking forward to seeing you this summer in Mandan.....Rusty

Rusty Kruger - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Elaine and I worked together for 20 years, and I always valued her friendship. She was an extraordinary person who would go that extra mile in every case. The refinery was a better place because Elaine was there.

Don Lucas - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Elaine. I enjoyed playing pinochle with Elaine in a card club and always admired her beauty.

Melinda Miller - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RE

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LD

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Elaine. She and I grew up together in Mandan and what a wonderful person. My deepest sympathy to her family. She will be missed by all who loved her.

Linda Braxmeier Dinderman - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ Dawn and Family,My prayers and thoughts are with all of you during this difficult time. I wish you strength and perserverance with your family and may faith and time heal your loss.Frederic

Frederic - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Elaine and I worked closely together at the Mandan refinery during my tenure in the early '90's. She was absolutely the nicest person I ever met. Elaine was not only pleasant and easy to work with, but very efficient and effective in handling her job. Most importantly, I will remember her as a valued friend. Her passing is a great loss to the refinery family and the community.

John Stitzell - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

IT

“ Elaine has been a friend of mine since she was a little girl. We had mutual friends through our parents and first knew each other when our parents visited each other. Years went by and Elaine married my classmate, Dean Sharp . They had a good marriage and they had a family. It was enjoyable to see them in church at the Cathedral and other social events. I am so sorry she had to suffer so much. I would like to express my sympathies to her family. She was a very nice person and I know this is a tremendous loss to you. May God bless all of you.

Irene Tschider - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ I had the privilege to know Elaine during the time that she was grieving the death of her dear husband Dean. She was a wonderful woman and had a beautiful spirit. I know how much she missed Dean, and as sad as her loss is, I am comforted by the thought that she has been reunited with him. My prayers are with you during this time of loss.

Susan - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Dawn, Mel, Jim, Brian, Craig, I am sorry to hear about Elaine's passing. May your wonderful memories of her comfort you during this difficult time. With deepest sympathy, Don

Don Heck - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ To Brian and your family, I am so sorry to hear about your mom. Friends from the refinery kept me informed about her health over the past few months. I knew she was struggling. I hope that you all find solice in that she was a lovely woman who was always so kind to me. I am grateful for her friendship and will think of her often. May time heal all. Tina

Tina Heckel Stroh - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ My prayers and thoughts have been with you and all the family as you have been going through this journey. Words are never adequate but please know that I'm thinking of you. Love, Pat

Pat Houck - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Dawn;I'm sorry to hear that your Mom has passed away. I know that no words can fill the void adequately. God Bless you and your family in this time. Prent

Prent Houck - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ You have my heart-felt sympathy for the loss of your Mom. You and your Family are in my heart and prayers. Juanita Wallen

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