



Sharon Shaway Nietzke

September 27, 1957 - March 31, 2025

NIETZKE, SHARON SHAWAY age 67 March 31, 2025

Sharon Shaway Nietzke passed away peacefully at her home, surrounded by family, on March 31, 2025. Diagnosed with Ocular Melanoma in 2018, she exceeded her initial prognosis and fought tirelessly -- always with a smile on her face. Despite discouraging test results and difficult treatments, Sharon never lost hope or let her diagnosis define her.

She was the beloved wife of Donald and a devoted mother to Katherine (Jesus) Latte, David (Stephanie) Nietzke, and Denise (Matt) Blasy. Sharon was also proud to be "Siti" (grandmother) to Angelina, Giovanni, Jackson, Drew, and Max -- who brought her tremendous joy. The oldest of five siblings, she is survived by Mark Shaway, Laurie (the late Walter) Ziemniak, Mary Anne (Dominic) Cafagna, and James (Kimberly) Shaway.

All are invited to celebrate Sharon's life. Visitation will be held on Sunday, April 6, from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons Inc. (16 Mile), 36900 Schoenherr Rd., Sterling Heights, MI 48312. On Monday, April 7, instate will begin at 9:30 a.m., followed by a Funeral Mass at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22412 Overlake St., St. Clair Shores, MI 48080. A luncheon will immediately follow at 11:30 a.m. at Encore Catering & Banquet Center, 21801 E 9 Mile Rd., St. Clair Shores, MI 48080.

Sharon found great strength in the Ocular Melanoma community, attending support groups and sharing research, tips, and encouragement. In honor of her generous spirit, please consider donating to “A Cure In Sight for Ocular Melanoma” in Sharon’s name, so others may find hope and support in their fight. <https://app.aplos.com/aws/give/ACureInSight/general>

For those unable to attend the Funeral Mass in person, it will be live streamed on the church’s website: <https://www.sjascs.org/st-joan-live>.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wujek - Calcaterra & Sons Inc - Sterling
36900 SCHOENHERR RD
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Rosary

APR 6. 7:00 PM (ET)

Wujek - Calcaterra & Sons Inc - Sterling
36900 SCHOENHERR RD
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Instate / Funeral Mass

APR 7. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joan of Arc
21620 Greater Mack Ave.
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080

Tribute Wall



“ *Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Sharon Shaway Nietzsche*



Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. - April 02, 2025 at 07:54 AM

JO

Best Friend forever in my Heart. Toby n I will miss you SO much 🐾🐾🐾

jewel Orlando - April 03, 2025 at 10:06 AM

CS

“ *Mrs. Nietzsche was my second mother. I'm grateful to have known her and I'll always love her.*

CS - April 18, 2025 at 12:54 AM

TR

“ *Very sad news. We came to know Sharon and Don as neighbour's at their lake house in Canada. We were only there eight years. Sharon was a friendly and kind neighbour right from the start. Sitting on the deck enjoying a drink was always a nice way to spend a few hours. After relocating if in the area i would pass by to see if Sharon was at the lake. Condolences to the family. RIP Sharon.*

Ted Rivington - April 05, 2025 at 01:35 PM

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“ I am deeply saddened to hear of Sharon’s passing. She brought her beloved Uncle Freddy to a Zakoor family reunion in Canada and we kept in touch over the years. I would run into her at the Harrow Fair when she was staying at her favourite place, the lake house. I just saw her and gave her a huge hug this past August and I’m so happy we had that meet up. I will miss her. May she rest in peace.

Sarah Wilder (nee Zakoor)

Tecumseh Ontario

Canada

Sarah Wilder (Zakoor) - April 05, 2025 at 11:18 AM

BC

“ Brandon, Melissa & Cooper purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Sharon Shaway Nietzke.



Brandon, Melissa & Cooper - April 04, 2025 at 08:23 AM



“ Sharon was the one of the first people I worked with at EDS on the GM Card Account. I will never forget how embracing she was. She made me feel welcomed joining the Team. I remember our many laughs over lunch and her carrying David in her stomach. She taught me to be kind to the new face. Heaven has gained an angel. Rest Peacefully ~ DaShaun Huston



Dashaun Huston - April 03, 2025 at 07:05 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Sharon Shaway Nietzsche.*



April 03, 2025 at 09:34 AM



“ *I'm going to miss you, my fellow alum, fellow cheerleader, fellow reunion buddy, and sister friend. You have raised a beautiful family and they are a testament to your love. May the angels lead you and may the perpetual light shine above you.*



Elizabeth Anne - April 03, 2025 at 08:17 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sharon Shaway Nietzsche.*



April 02, 2025 at 08:52 PM

CS

“ We are heartbroken that Sharon left this life so young and so quickly. She fought an awful disease and uncertain future with quiet strength. She was a loving, caring person and we will miss her energy, smile and laughter. May God Rest her soul in heaven. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family. 🙏🙏🙏



Cathy Sinning - April 02, 2025 at 03:37 PM

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“ The Olive Family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Sharon Shaway Nietzsche.



The Olive Family - April 02, 2025 at 11:50 AM