



Sharon Lou Thompson

May 16, 1940 - August 9, 2016

Sharon Lou Thompson, 76, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Tuesday, August 9th, 2016 in Gainesville, Virginia. She was born Sharon Lou Poore, on May 16th, 1940, in Munfordville, Kentucky. Sharon graduated from duPont Manual High School Class of 1958 in Louisville, Kentucky. She continued her education at Western Kentucky University where she earned a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and was a member of Beta Omega Chi sorority.

Sharon began her teaching career at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, where she fell in love and married William Thompson. As a military wife, she was fortunate to live in many cities here and abroad and eventually settled in Burke, Virginia. During the time she spent as a military wife, she was very active in the Officers Wives Club. Often in leadership positions, Sharon enjoyed serving the military community where ever they were stationed.

For over 20 years she taught preschool at St. Steven's United Methodist Church. She touched many children's lives along with their families in her years dedicated to early childhood education. Above all, her greatest love was the time spent with her girls. She was a dedicated team mom, color guard mom, chaperone and 'Number 1 Fan' in all the activities her daughters participated in. It was the time spent with her children and then her grandchildren that brought her the most joy.

Sharon was extremely talented and loved to sing, dance, knit and craft. She was passionate about designing and creating her floral wreaths and table

decor. As a loyal Washington Redskins fan, she never missed a game. She treasured her retirement years with family and close friends. Sharon was very active with her women's group events and luncheons. Loved shopping, antiques, and 'The Girls' getaway weekends. She also had a love of travel and was fortunate enough to visit more than 35 countries on many trips around the globe.

Sharon never knew a stranger. She was extremely positive, outgoing, energetic, caring and full of life. Everyone who knew her was drawn to her natural warmth and kindness. She was never seen without a smile on her beautiful face. Sharon was a loyal and beloved forever friend. She will be deeply missed by her family and all who were fortunate enough to know her. Sharon was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, and grandmother, and was preceded in death by her parents, Randolph G. Poore and Mary D. Poore, her sister Patricia D. Hugo, and her beloved husband William J. Thompson.

Sharon is survived by her three daughters and son-in-laws: Elizabeth Thompson Krieger of Haymarket, VA; Kristine Thompson Foskey and Will Foskey of Bel Air, MD; Kathleen Thompson Tollison and Rich Tollison of Bel Air, MD; and grandchildren; William and Jack Thompson Krieger, Addison and Olivia Foskey, and Billy and Patrick Tollison. Her surviving relatives include her brother and sister-in-law, John and Cheryl Poore, of Louisville, KY, and brother-in-law, Jim Hugo, of Springfield, VA.

Services will be held Friday August 19, 2016, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 8213 Linton Hall Road, Gainesville, VA 20155. The family will receive friends on Friday from 9:45 AM to 10:30 AM with a funeral mass to follow. A luncheon reception at Heritage Hunt Golf & Country Club will be at noon. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made in Sharon's memory to AER at: Army Emergency Relief Attn: Donations 200 Stovall St, Suite 5S33, Alexandria, VA 22332

Please include a note or indicate on the memo line that the donation is in memory of Sharon Thompson. You can notify the family of the donation to: sharonlthompson58@gmail.com.

Interment at Arlington National Cemetery will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 2:00 PM.

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA 22211
<http://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 19. 9:45 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
8213 Linton Hall Rd
Gainesville, VA 20155-2997
(703) 753-6700

Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 19. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *The former ladies from St. Stephen preschool have lost a wonderful friend and loving teacher. My first year at St. Stephen Sharon and I team taught and began laughing on our first day together and never stopped. She had a delightful personality and sense of humor that helped us all in the good time and not so good times. I will miss her.*

Sandy Armstrong - August 18, 2016 at 09:43 AM

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“ *Please accept my family's heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort in fond memories, and The Almighty God's promise to restore those asleep in death to perfect life on a paradise Earth.*

Greene Family - August 16, 2016 at 02:12 PM

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“ *Such a fun special lady, always smiling, blessed to have such good memories of our time in Burke. Sending heartfelt thoughts and prayers to "her girls" as she always referred to them, and their families.*

Dick & Diane Donovan - August 16, 2016 at 08:49 AM