



Sharon M. Gratz

December 3, 1942 - August 10, 2023

ADRIAN- Sharon M. Gratz, 80, of Adrian, Michigan died early Thursday morning, August 10, 2023 at Adrian Bay Rehab & Nursing Center under the care of Hospice of Lenawee.

Sharon was born on December 3, 1942, in Adrian, Michigan, the oldest child of Harold and Viola (Berry) Roesch. She graduated from Adrian High School with the Class of 1960 and went on to cosmetology school. She took the skills she learned and opened her own salon “Sharon’s Hair Care”, running the shop for over 60 years.

On January 27, 1961 Sharon was united in marriage with Raymond Gratz, Jr. in Adrian, MI and they celebrated 57 years together before his death on September 19, 2018.

When Sharon was young, she always wanted a goat but her father said sheep were the way to go. This dream of having a goat finally came to fruition many years later. Sharon started with a couple of goats, but this soon increased to having enough goats to supply to her grandchildren and 4-H members. She became involved with raising funds for the Lenawee County Fair goat barn and for many years was the superintendent of the Lenawee County 4-H goats. She also volunteered her time on the Lenawee County 4-H Small Animal Board. Sharon was an expert at canning, especially salsa and chili sauce. She enjoyed going on “cookie walks” in Tecumseh and gathering new cookie recipes. If there was a craft show in the area, you could count on Sharon being there and browsing through all the wonderful craft items.

She is survived by her number one son, Kevin (Mary) Gratz; grandchildren, Christina (Nathan) Beagle and Karlie (Shane) Turrill; great-grandchildren, Bradyn, Evie, Ethan and Jackson Beagle; great-granddaughter, Lillianna Turrill; siblings, Donna (Louis) Rockwood, Duane (Lydia) Roesch, Dean (Mary) Roesch and Dawn (William) Harke. Sharon was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Raymond; and grandsons, Robert and Christopher Gratz.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian with Rev. Dr. Ann Marie Montgomery officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation will take place on Sunday, August 13, 2023 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home; and again on Monday one hour prior to the start of the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Lenawee or the Lenawee County 4-H goat program. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

East Siena Heights Drive
Adrian, MI 49221

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 13. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
1501 W. Maumee St.
Adrian, MI 49221
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Visitation

AUG 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

AUG 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

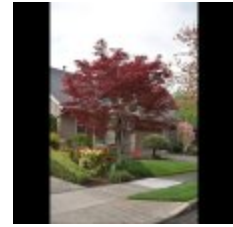
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Tribute Wall



“ *Red Leaf Japanese Maple was purchased for the family of Sharon M. Gratz.*



August 18, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *David C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sharon M. Gratz.*

David C. - August 13, 2023 at 07:13 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Sharon M. Gratz.*



August 11, 2023 at 08:02 PM



“ *Sharon is my second cousin. We lived about two miles apart. I babysat Kevin when he was a little guy. Raymond and Sharon were a great couple.*

*My sympathies to Kevin and Sharon's siblings; Duane, Dean, Donna and Dawn
Brenda Etter Norman, . Oklahoma*

Brenda Etter - August 11, 2023 at 06:50 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Sharon M. Gratz.

August 11, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon M. Gratz.



August 11, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ Sharon and I were barn neighbors at the Lenawee County Fair for many years. Fair friendships are special, and every summer we revisited our enjoyable acquaintance. Her love for her goats and Fair goat projects was all encompassing. God's peace to all.

Kay Kutzley - August 11, 2023 at 11:50 AM



“ Went to her home last year
Fed baby goats in kitchen such a good time

Diane Bowen - August 11, 2023 at 09:48 AM



“ Sharon was special in many ways. I worked with her as a stylist. And our friendship continued throughout the years especially via 4-H. There was no doubt she loved her goats. When a loved one becomes a memory; the memory becomes a treasure!

Karen Roback - August 11, 2023 at 09:39 AM