Sharon Anne Kimberlin

March 20, 1944 - June 11, 2022

Sharon Anne Kimberlin, née Conner, was born to the late Wilford "Pete" Conner (master carpenter) and Mabel Conner, née Oliver, (cosmetologist), in Ottumwa, Iowa on March 20, 1944. She was a gifted musician, vocalist, and artist who used her talents to bring beauty to the world. She grew up in Sigourney, Iowa and attended Sigourney High School where her mellifluous soprano voice was well-recognized (including selection to the All-State Chorus), she sat as first chair flute in the band, and she thrived as a visual artist. She moved to Des Moines after graduation to attend Iowa School of Beauty and become a licensed cosmetologist. Sharon remained in Des Moines for the rest of her life and continued to style her clients up until a few days before her death. She passed peacefully from this earth on June 11, 2022 at hospice.

Sharon fell in love with and married the man who followed her tracks home in the snow. They were blessed with two children of whom she was immensely proud and four grandchildren on whom she doted. After her divorce and while raising two children as a single mother, she owned and successfully operated Sharon’s Hair in Highland Park and Oak Park. In her later years, she gave up the business, cut her hours doing hair, and became a REALTOR® working with Iowa Realty. By the time of her life when almost anyone else so positioned would have retired, Sharon Anne worked as a doorkeeper in the Iowa Senate and was promoted to Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms. She was

active in Kiwanis and had a life-long interest in politics and social issues. She had a kick-ass work ethic and even rose to the level of brown belt in tae kwon do! A self-taught painter, gardener, decorator, seamstress, cook, and avid scrap booker, Sharon was always put together and looking sharp, paying impeccable attention to her hair, makeup, nails, clothes, and accessories. She was equally attentive to her surroundings and maintained a beautiful home, yard, and gardens. She loved spending time with her indispensable friends, attending events, traveling, and dining out. Those friends cherished her as a supportive confidante and valued her sage advice and willing ear. Most precious to her, however, was her connection to family; she had great admiration for each of her children and their partners, her grandchildren, and her siblings. She loved them all profoundly.

Sharon had a heart for and a desire to lift up those she saw as less fortunate. She did not need their appreciation; her reward was in the offering of kindness, whatever form it took. She will be sorely missed by those who loved and knew her.

Sharon is survived by her daughter Stacey Kimberlin and her son-in-law Mark Folvag; her son Dr. Dale Kimberlin and her daughter-in-law Dr. Kaycie Kimberlin; her grandchildren Jacob Folvag, Kyle Folvag, Jett Kimberlin, and Glory Kimberlin; her sister Melody Conner; and her brother Ron Conner. She was preceded in death by her brother Bill Conner and her parents.

Services for Sharon will be at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (517 SW Des Moines St, Ankeny, IA) on Wednesday, June 15 at 11 am. Visitation with the family will be at the church from 4 - 6 pm on Tuesday, June 14.

For those of you that can’t attend the service click below for the live link to watch the funeral at 11 AM on Wednesday.

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Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **14**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
517 SW Des Moines
Ankeny, IA 50023

Celebration of Life Service

JUN **15**. 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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Sharon and I had many wonderful times in the 40 years of our friendship. We took trips all over Iowa to places that were voted to have the best tenderloins or hamburgers in the state. We went to Graceland to see Elvis's memorabilia, and we're always on the lookout for new antique stores. She was my best friend, my stylist, and my therapist when I needed one, and she will be sorely missed. She suffered a great deal these past two years and I am thankful that she is at peace.

Lynne Melone - June 14, 2022 at 11:35 AM

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Kaite Mazy-franks lit a candle in memory of Sharon Anne Kimberlin

Kaite mazy-franks - June 13, 2022 at 11:38 PM

Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Anne Kimberlin.

June 13, 2022 at 04:43 PM