

Sharon Reese

October 12, 1947 - December 26, 2020

Sharon Kay Reese, 73, of Bloomfield, Iowa passed away on December 26, 2020, at the Ridgewood Specialty Care facility in Ottumwa after a 2-year valiant fight with pancreatic cancer. She was born October 12, 1947, to Donald Ernest Hawkins and Ada Maxine (Grinstead) Hawkins. She graduated from Davis County High School in 1965. Sharon attended Iowa Success Business School in Ottumwa after high school. On September 3rd, 1966, she married Edward Reese, Jr (known as Junior to most) at the Bloomfield Christian Church in Bloomfield.

Sharon started her employment career at Meadow Gold Dairy in Ottumwa and had a few odd jobs here and there. In the late 1970s, she began working at the Gambles Hardware store and later the Hamilton Produce Company. She really enjoyed her time at Gambles and Hamilton's, especially talking with all her coworkers, friends, and acquaintances when they came in the stores.

Sharon never knew a stranger and loved talking with people, especially about her grandkids. She and Junior also enjoyed following their kids and grandkids wherever they went to play sports. She was a fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and the Iowa Hawkeyes. She and Junior loved traveling to National Guard Enlisted Association events with close friends.

She is survived by her husband, Junior; son, Stacy (Melanie) Reese of

Coralville, Iowa; daughter, Kristi (Brad) Woolard of Bloomfield, Iowa; three grandkids, Nathan, Anna, and Kolby; her mother, Maxine Hawkins of Bloomfield, Iowa; one brother, Larry (Donna) Hawkins of Drakesville, Iowa; nieces and nephews (including her special personal nurse/niece Tara).

She was preceded in death by her father.

Graveside services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 1, 2021 at the IOOF Cemetery in Bloomfield with Rev. Leslie Dotson officiating. A memorial has been established to the Look to the Stars Cancer Foundation and to the Bloomfield Wreaths Across America Organization.

Cemetery Details

IOOF Cemetery

620 North Madison Street
Bloomfield, IA 52537

Previous Events

Graveside Services

MAY 1. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Bloomfield, IA 52537

Tribute Wall



“ Sharon Reese

January 28, 2023 at 10:57 AM



“ Kim, Ken and Kaleb Biladeau, and Deana Schuler purchased the A Full Life for the family of Sharon Reese.



Kim, Ken and Kaleb Biladeau, and Deana Schuler - April 27, 2021 at 08:05 PM



“ Sharon and Junior have always been such good friends and the Best Next Door Neighbors Ever! I will miss Sharon so much. My love and sympathy to Junior and all of Sharon's family.

Violet Dunlavy - January 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM



“ There is a huge hole in my heart. Sharon was my true friend and confidante all through Elementary school and High School. The thousands of miles we put in at the skating rink and double dating. Times I will never forget. Rest In Peace my friend. I love you

margaret turner - January 07, 2021 at 10:20 AM

MT

“ Margaret Turner lit a candle in memory of Sharon Reese



margaret turner - January 07, 2021 at 10:05 AM

DR

I'm so very sorry for y'all's loss. Prayers for y'all.

Dixieanna Rupe - April 26, 2021 at 06:24 PM

BS

“ Junior and family we are so saddened by the loss of Sharon. She was so generous with her kindness and love. We love her and will miss her. You are in our thoughts and our hearts. Hoping you find comfort in all your wonderful memories.
Sending you love and peace,
Beth and Rob

Beth Scheetz - January 05, 2021 at 06:52 PM



“ April Gruver lit a candle in memory of Sharon Reese



April Gruver - January 03, 2021 at 03:52 PM

SS

“ Sharon Smith purchased the Angel Wind Chime - Silver for the family of Sharon Reese.



Sharon Smith - January 03, 2021 at 10:06 AM

ST

“ Oh the fun we had in our Iowa National Guard days! They will forever be tucked away in our memories.

Words cannot express the sorrow we are feeling right now. You put up a hell of a fight though. I love you dear friend. You will always be with me in spirit.

*We love you both,
Roger and Sherry Trimble*

Sherry Trimble - December 31, 2020 at 02:19 PM

CL

“ Junior, it didn't take me long to find this on the web. I am sitting here with tears in my eyes and sharing your grief. I see that Sharon is my age. I never had the privilege of meeting her in person, but I know we would have been good friends if we had lived closer. May you and your kids and grandkids find acceptance, peace and happiness in her memory. I know it's difficult right now. Carol Lau

Carol Lau - December 29, 2020 at 06:01 PM

ER

Thank you Aunt Carol. We loved staying at your Branson Condo during Veterans Week- from Ed

Ed Reese - January 01, 2021 at 09:46 PM

DO

“ *David D Orman lit a candle in memory of Sharon Reese*

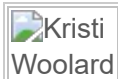


David D Orman - December 29, 2020 at 12:00 PM

AS

“ *So sad to hear this! I have many great memories of being at Sharon and Junior's house as a child when Kristi would watch me. I also looked forward to her homemade birthday and Christmas cards every year. Prayers for the family, Sharon will be missed by many.*

Amber Sprouse - December 29, 2020 at 07:43 AM



Kristi Woolard

She loved having you and Philip around! And she really enjoyed seeing you both grow up and have your own families now. She talked about both of you a lot!

Kristi Woolard - December 29, 2020 at 09:56 AM

PM

“ *So sad to hear of Sharon's passing! Sincere sympathies to Junior and the family!*

phillip mathews - December 28, 2020 at 08:50 PM

GB

“ *So sorry to hear. Sharon and I go back to the 50's in school and skating at Belknap. Lots of memories.. You was blessed with a good wife Junior. Gary Bailey*

Gary Bailey - December 28, 2020 at 07:07 PM

CP

“ Junior and family I was soo sadden to see this news. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. I have fond memories of Sharon in our grade school years when I would go to Belknap to skate, then during our H.S. days. I would have loved to have been able to skate like her and wanted to be able to dance on skates like her. She always had a smile, was friendly and.. kind.



CONNIE PHILLIS - December 28, 2020 at 06:26 PM

KR

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Kristi - December 28, 2020 at 06:11 PM

RM

“ She enjoyed sending her homemade cards to me during my illness and they always lifted my spirits.



Renita Murrell - December 28, 2020 at 04:56 PM

RM

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Renita Murrell - December 28, 2020 at 04:54 PM

HA

“ Harold lit a candle in memory of Sharon Reese




Harold - December 28, 2020 at 03:39 PM

HY

“ Junior, we were saddened to here of your loss. So glad she loved the Lord and we can all be in heaven some day together and can visit all we want to. Praise the Lord no more pain.

Harold & Linda Yahnke - December 28, 2020 at 03:36 PM

 Kristi Woolard

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall




Kristi Woolard - December 28, 2020 at 02:58 PM

VT

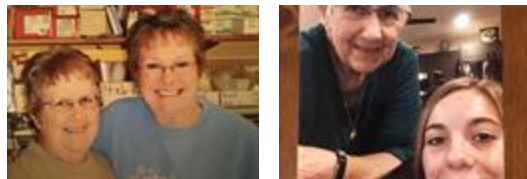
“ We are remembering your family in our prayers. May the love of Jesus, family, and friends sustain you during these days.

*Vivian and Jerry Taylor
Mississippi*

Vivian Taylor - December 28, 2020 at 02:02 PM

 Kristi Woolard

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Kristi Woolard - December 28, 2020 at 01:52 PM

CD

“ I remember Sharon from our days in the office at Meadow Gold Dairy. What fun we had. Such fond memories. She was so chatty and we were so young!! Edith was always so patient with us, too. My condolences to the family. Carolyn Granneman Dawson

carolyn dawson - December 28, 2020 at 11:44 AM

RB

“ She always had a smile on her face and would always stop to talk to you. Had so much fun and laughs on our bowling days. Steve remembers how she would always love on him when he was little. She WILL truly be missed. God Bless you Sharon...Hugs to the family!!!

Renetta Blew - December 28, 2020 at 11:39 AM

SC

“ *"In memory of my classmate, Sharon Hawkins Reese"*
Shirley Schindler Couvillion



Shirley Schindler Couvillion - December 28, 2020 at 11:31 AM

AT

“ *Our thoughts are with you all at this time. I loved all my talks with Sharon at various swim meets. She would tell humbly proud stories of Anna and Kolby with such a big smile on her face. I will miss those. Please let us know if you need anything- we're right around the corner.*

Amy Trent - December 28, 2020 at 09:59 AM

SV

“ *Our most sincere condolences. I am sure your heart is broken. Sending you much love and virtual hugs. The VanScoyoc family*

SUSAN M VanScoyoc - December 28, 2020 at 09:51 AM

CW

“ *Junior and family - where do I even begin to sort through all the great times and memories. From the Belknap skating rink, to bowliing tournies over the years. Donnie and Maxine, Manford and Wilda, Jean and Lucille and all of us bratty kids. We have had some good times together, and some bad. Will always cherish the remembering of the fun and laughter, God bless you and may the peace he gives overflow in your lives. Friends forever, Cathy Warner*

Cathy Warner - December 28, 2020 at 08:28 AM

KR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Kristi - December 28, 2020 at 01:07 AM

SC

Beautiful picture!

Shirley Schindler Couvillion - December 28, 2020 at 11:33 AM

DB

DEATH LEAVE A HEARTACH NO ONE CAN HEAL LOVE LEAVES A MEMORY NO ONE CAN STEAL GOD BLESS REESE FAMILY. A WIFE SUPPORT..JR THROUGH military service. True AMERICAN!!!

DEAN Bailey - December 28, 2020 at 04:12 PM

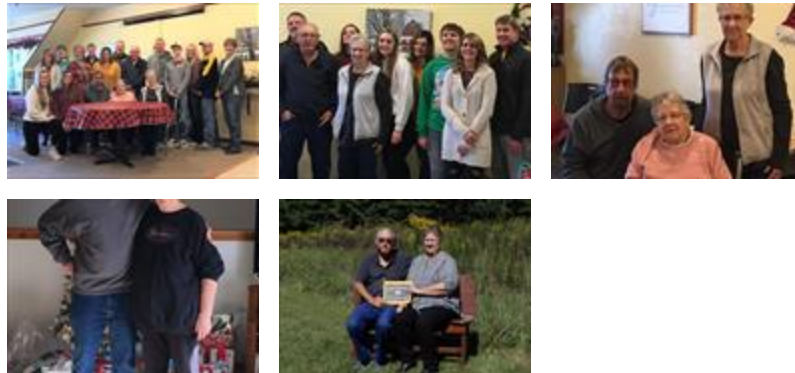
CH

“ So, so sorry for your lose Junior. She was a great cheerleader of all military personnel especially SFC Reese. God bless you and comfort you through your grief.

Craig Hogg - December 28, 2020 at 12:36 AM

KR

“ 11 files added to the album Memories Album



Kristi - December 27, 2020 at 11:52 PM

LR

“ Lynn Roberts lit a candle in memory of Sharon Reese



Lynn roberts - December 27, 2020 at 11:00 PM

JB

“ What a sweet lady Sharon was.I was so sorry to hear of her passing

Jim Brown - December 27, 2020 at 10:49 PM