



## Sharon Eickstedt

April 29, 1944 - October 16, 2025

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO - Sharon Jean (Brown) Eickstedt age 81 of Colorado Springs, passed away peacefully, Thursday, October 16, 2025 at Pikes Peak Hospice and Palliative Care in Colorado Springs, CO., after a short illness.

Born on April 29, 1944, at the Old Penn Hospital in Norway, Michigan, Sharon was the beloved daughter of Allan Brown and the former Jeanne Olsen of Vulcan. A 1962 graduate of Vulcan High School, she was both an honor student and the Prom Queen—early reflections of her intelligence, grace, and warmth.

Following graduation, Sharon attended Michigan State University with aspirations of becoming a doctor. At that time, scholarships and grants for women in medicine were limited, and she left her studies early to begin a new chapter in life. She married the love of her life, Dudley Eickstedt, on November 14, 1964, beginning a marriage that spanned more than six decades and countless shared adventures.

In 1981, Sharon proudly graduated from the Milwaukee County General Hospital School of Nursing, fulfilling a lifelong desire to care for others. She worked at Briggs & Stratton in Milwaukee for several years before devoting more than 20 years of service as a Registered Nurse at Crystal Falls

Community Hospital and Iron River Hospital. Her compassion, dedication, and calm strength touched the lives of patients and colleagues alike.

Outside of her work, Sharon was an avid reader who especially loved mysteries—Agatha Christie being her favorite author. She had a deep appreciation for history and spent her retirement years researching and assembling her family tree. Her favorite films included Indiana Jones and the original Star Wars trilogy, which she enjoyed watching with her family.

After many happy years in their dream retirement home in Wisconsin, Sharon and Dudley relocated to Colorado Springs to be closer to family and receive the support and companionship of those they loved most.

Sharon is survived by her devoted husband Dudley Eickstedt of Colorado Springs; her three children Donald (Svetlana) Eickstedt of Nashua, New Hampshire; Daniel Eickstedt of Colorado Springs; and Lynne (Sascha) Lantin of Vulcan, Michigan. She was a proud grandmother to Samuel Eickstedt of New York, New York; Dylan, Sofia, and Danielle Eickstedt of Colorado Springs; and Gage Steely of Knoxville, Tennessee. sister Lynne Smith of Norway, Michigan; brother Robert (Donna) Brown of San Bernardino, California; she is also lovingly remembered by her friend Kelly Fealy of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Sharon was preceded in death by her parents, Allan and Jeanne Brown, and her brother, Michael Brown.

Visitation will be held on Friday, October 31, 2025 from 4-7 p.m. at Ortman Funeral Home in Norway.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, November 1 at 11 a.m. at St. Barbara's Church, with Fr. Abraham Mupparathara officiating.

Interment will follow at the Norway Township Cemetery.

Sharon will be remembered for her intelligence, kindness, and enduring love for her family—a woman whose quiet strength and generous heart will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

# Cemetery Details

## Norway Township Cemetery

Norway Township, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **31**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ortman Funeral Home  
618 Norway Street  
P.O. Box 155  
Norway, MI 49870  
(906) 563-5700  
ortmanfuneralhome@norwaymi.com  
<https://www.ortmanfuneralhome.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

NOV **1**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Barbara's Church  
159 Mission Street  
Vulcan, MI 49892

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dudley

*So sad to read about the passing of Sharon  
I always looked forward to having you both in the salon, it was  
always a fun good time. Lots of stories shared between the three of  
us, that included laughs and sometimes tears, always talk about  
your children. Sharon planning the meals and stories about building  
your home. May have retired in 2016 but I thought of you both so  
many times wo during where you both were amd what you were up  
to.ay God keep you close and help you to navigate your new normal  
My prayers amd thoughts are with you Dudley and remember we  
will all be together someday.  
Both you and Sharon will never be forgotten  
Kathy Donovan from Headquarters for Hair  
donovan9669@yahoo.com*

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**Kathleen Donovan** - October 28, 2025 at 11:00 PM

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“ *In Loving Memory of our beloved Sharon-  
Dudley, Donald, Dan, Lynne,*

*We we always remember all the fun times and shanigans with your  
mom and dad over the years. Sharon will be remembered for her  
sense of humor, and listening to her never ending stories and her  
everlasting love of our brother Dudley. May you cherish and hold  
close all your memories of your beloved wife and mother.  
Love and prayers-Jack & Lou Stanley*

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**Luann Stanley** - October 26, 2025 at 11:47 AM

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“ *The Stanley Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sharon Eickstedt.*



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**The Stanley Family** - October 26, 2025 at 11:33 AM