



## Sharon D. Mills

November 6, 1944 - July 12, 2018

Mills, Sharon D. 11/6/1944- 7/12/2018. Age 73, Sharon Mills, born in Rice Lake, WI, passed away peacefully at her assisted living facility in Golden Valley, MN, on 07/12/2018. Sharon was a fascinating lady. She married Jim Mills, and had three kids, Tari, Tom and John. She was a foster mom to Shelly and Matthew. She was also an exchange student mom to three wonderful kids from Mexico, Manuel, Jose and Lina. She was also a loving grandmother to Ashley, Tamara, Zachary, Jaquelyn, Kayla and Skyler, as well as a great grandmother. Sharon is the second to the oldest, and has five siblings, Ron, Sandy, Sue, Don and Sonja. Sharon is preceded in death by her ex-husband, Jim and her parents, Tom and Margaret Smith. Sharon married young and obtained her LPN in nursing where she worked in nursing for a few years, doing a stint at the VA Medical Center in Minneapolis. Then, while raising her family, she felt a higher calling and went back to school, where she obtained her education in divinity and served the United Methodist Church in MN, serving the congregations of Heritage UMC in New Prague, Arlington UMC in Arlington, MN, and retiring from Wyoming, UMC, in Wyoming, MN. Sharon had many hobbies she liked to do. She and Jim obtained their private pilot's license early on and flew for many years, having the family Cessna 170 available at any time in the back yard She also had her motorcycle license and had her own motorcycle. Her funeral will be at her last appointment of the UMC, the Wyoming United Methodist Church, 5459 E. Viking Blvd. in Wyoming, MN, on Friday, 07/20/18, at 3pm, with a viewing one hour before

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Sharon was a friend and counselor to me some 20 years ago when she pastored a church in Arlington, MN. Her words of encouragement and support during a difficult period and prayers were so appreciated. She was a special lady and I will remember her great smile.

*Kathy Kauffmann*

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**Kathy Kauffmann** - August 13, 2018 at 10:09 PM

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“ Shari officiated for my son Erik's funeral-she was my strong shoulder to help me through that horrible day and I was always grateful to her-unfortunately we also found out we shared the same cardiologist who we sang praises about-RIP Shari-you deserve to walk with God now in peace

*Lillis Gjertson*

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**Lillis Gjertson** - July 18, 2018 at 09:57 PM

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“ From The TCC purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Sharon D. Mills.



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**From The TCC** - July 18, 2018 at 02:16 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Sharon D. Mills.*



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July 17, 2018 at 11:54 PM



“ *Sharon was a friend and supporter of mine since my seminary days, when she discovered I was attending the same seminary she had. I was blessed in my appointment at Brunswick United Methodist Church (Crystal, MN) when after retirement Sharon actively attended and shared with me in celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion during worship. I will miss her authenticity, her pastoral integrity and her deep desire to follow God in all she did.*

*Rev. Bart A. Fletcher  
Mount Vernon United Methodist Church  
Danville, VA*

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**Bart A. Fletcher** - July 17, 2018 at 09:58 AM



“ *Pastor Sharon was a joy to be with. I and several others went on a mission trip to Denver together. We experienced numerous crossroads but she kept us mindful to trust and God would handle each obstacle with us. She helped me with the loss of my husband. She was my friend of which I was most grateful. I'm sure God is welcoming her with open arms. God bless... Pam Rucks-Forrester, Rice Lake, WI*

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**Pam Forrester** - July 13, 2018 at 07:11 AM