



Sharon Adams

September 28, 1944 - June 19, 2025

With heavy hearts, we share that our cherished mother, grandmother, and friend, Sharon Walley Adams, passed away on June 19, 2025, at the age of 80. Her presence was a source of strength, and her absence leaves an immeasurable void in our lives.

Sharon was born on September 28, 1944, in Gilmer, Texas, to Paul and Agnes Smith Walley. She grew up in a military family, moving frequently as her father served in the U.S. Air Force, and lived in places like New York and Japan. These early experiences nurtured her adventurous spirit, broadened her perspective, and instilled in her a quiet strength that carried her throughout her life.

Sharon began her career as a schoolteacher, and later, driven by her deep desire to care for others, she returned to school and became a nurse. She served with compassion and excellence until her retirement in 2014, leaving a lasting impact on those she cared for and worked alongside.

She met the love of her life, Raymond “Buddy” Adams, and together they built a beautiful life rooted in love, laughter, and shared adventure. For a time, they lived in Saudi Arabia, an experience that gave them the opportunity to travel extensively and immerse themselves in different cultures. After retirement, Sharon and Buddy took to the road in their RV, exploring the country and forming new friendships wherever they went. Their travels were filled with joy and the kind of memories that come from a life well lived together.

Sharon was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. She

was known for her wisdom, her deep love of animals, and her unwavering devotion to her family. Her infectious laugh could light up a room, and her presence brought joy to those around her.

Those left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Ashley McFarland (David); grandchildren, Taylor Reis (Daniel), Cameron Young, Wesley Manasco (Laura), Corey Manasco, Madison McFarland, and Kyle McFarland; and seven great-grandchildren—each of whom will carry forward her legacy of love and resilience.

A funeral service to honor Sharon's life will be held on Saturday, June 28 at 2:00 pm at McWhorter Funeral Home. All who knew and loved her are welcome to attend and celebrate her extraordinary life. The family will receive friends at 1:00 pm prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to a Veterans Organization of choice, a cause close to Sharon's heart.

Her memory will live on in the hearts of all who were fortunate enough to know her.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 28. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

McWhorter Funeral Home
1074 St. Hwy 300
Gilmer, TX 75645
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info@mcwhorterfh.com
<https://www.mcwhorterfh.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall

HA

“ You always had a special place in my heart even through what life threw at us as a family. You always had the most contagious laugh and I will always and forever remember. You will be truly missed and I know you are now with your parents, my grandparents and the love of your life smiling down. I love you always and forever, Aunt Sharon.

Haley - June 28, 2025 at 11:17 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Sharon Adams Funeral Service



McWhorter Funeral Home - June 28, 2025 at 05:20 PM

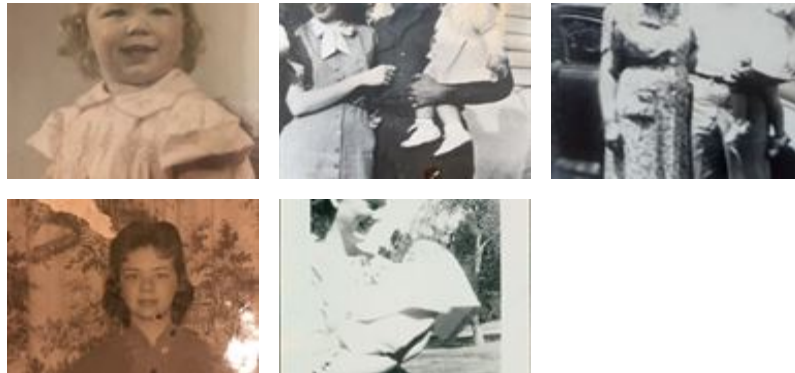
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“ From our days in Udhailiyah until now, you have always been a cherished part of my sand days. I feel confident that Buddy was waiting for you at the gates of heaven and I know I will see you again one day. Much love! 💕🥹🥰

Michelle Yates - June 28, 2025 at 03:14 PM



“ 150 files added to the album LifeTributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - June 28, 2025 at 11:11 AM



“ The Pierce Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sharon Adams.



The Pierce Family - June 27, 2025 at 06:00 PM



“ You were my sister by birth and I love you more than words can say.
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Debby Ray - June 27, 2025 at 04:42 PM



“ Mission Family purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Sharon Adams.



Mission Family - June 27, 2025 at 12:34 PM

SS

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



shanna scott - June 26, 2025 at 10:08 PM

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“ Mother was comfort. Mother was home. A girl who lost her mother was suddenly a tiny boat on an angry ocean. Some boats eventually floated ashore. And some boats, like me, seemed to float farther and farther from land.



shanna scott - June 26, 2025 at 09:57 PM

CC

“ Chris Cavaliere lit a candle in memory of Sharon Adams



Chris Cavaliere - June 26, 2025 at 08:36 PM

DA

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Desiree Adams - June 26, 2025 at 08:07 PM



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

June 26, 2025 at 07:52 PM

YF

“ Your Past and Present QBE Friends purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Sharon Adams.



Your Past and Present QBE Friends - June 26, 2025 at 05:04 PM

EB

“ Elyse and Keaton Braud purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Sharon Adams.



Elyse and Keaton Braud - June 26, 2025 at 04:45 PM

MC

“ Mike and Jennifer Collier planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sharon Adams.

Mike and Jennifer Collier - June 26, 2025 at 02:57 PM

MC

“ Mike and Jennifer Collier purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Sharon Adams.



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