

Sharon Faye Ratz, age 73, passed away surrounded by her family on Sunday, November 4, 2018, at Diamond Willow in Detroit Lakes, MN.

Sharon Faye Plackner was born on February 11, 1945, in Perham, MN, to John and Mary (Flynn) Plackner. She was baptized and confirmed in the United Methodist Church. She grew up in Frazee where she attended school graduating with the class of 1963. Sharon married Leo Ratz on December 5, 1964, and the couple had 3 children: Jeffrey, Gregory and Jennifer.

After raising her children, Sharon worked at the Vergas Senior Citizen Nutrition Center in Vergas, Frazee Care Center and Vergas Assisted Living until her retirement in 2013. Sharon loved her husband and children dearly; her legacy of love will forever live on in her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Family gatherings were very important to Sharon as she loved having all the family together for every reason possible; a hug hello and a hug goodbye were an absolute must for every occasion. Sharon wanted every family member to know how important they were and how big her love was for them.

Sharon and Leo loved to travel and visited the majority of the United States with Alaska and Hawaii being the destination favorites. She enjoyed making baby blankets, graduation quilts, and porcelain dolls dedicated to each grandchild. Sharon was a devoted Grandma making it a priority to attend every sporting event and school activity. She spent time sewing, crocheting, knitting and baking. Sharon's holiday treats will forever be remembered.

Sharon is survived by her children: Jeff (Lisa), Greg (Jill), and Jennifer (Barry); 10 grandchildren: Isaac (Alissa), Lacey (Jake), Keshia (John), Kaley (Charles), Benjamin (Ashley), Erica, Kasey (Tori), Brianna (Ryan), Katie and Kelsey (Dean); 10 great grandchildren: Elsie, Addison, Caleb, Asa, Keaton, Gage, McKenna, Lydia, Cora and Kysen. Two sisters: Donna Holmer and Betty Holmer. Along with her childhood friend: Kathy Wouters

Preceding Sharon in death are her husband, Leo; her parents, John and Mary; along with one sister: LuVerne Hansen.

Sharon Ratz
1945 - 2018

Legacy OF Love

A wife, a mother, a grandma too,
This is the legacy we have from you.
You TAUGHT US LOVE and how to fight,
You gave us strength, you gave us might.
A stronger person would be hard to find,
And in your heart, you were ALWAYS KIND.
You fought for us all in one way or another,
Not just as a wife not just as a mother.
For all us you gave your best,
Now the time has come for you to rest.
So go in peace, you've earned your sleep,
Your love in our hearts, we'll
Eternally Keep.



Our Grandchildren

When stars light up in the clear night sky
It always makes us wonder why -
God put the same twinkle in the eyes
Of Our Grandchildren.

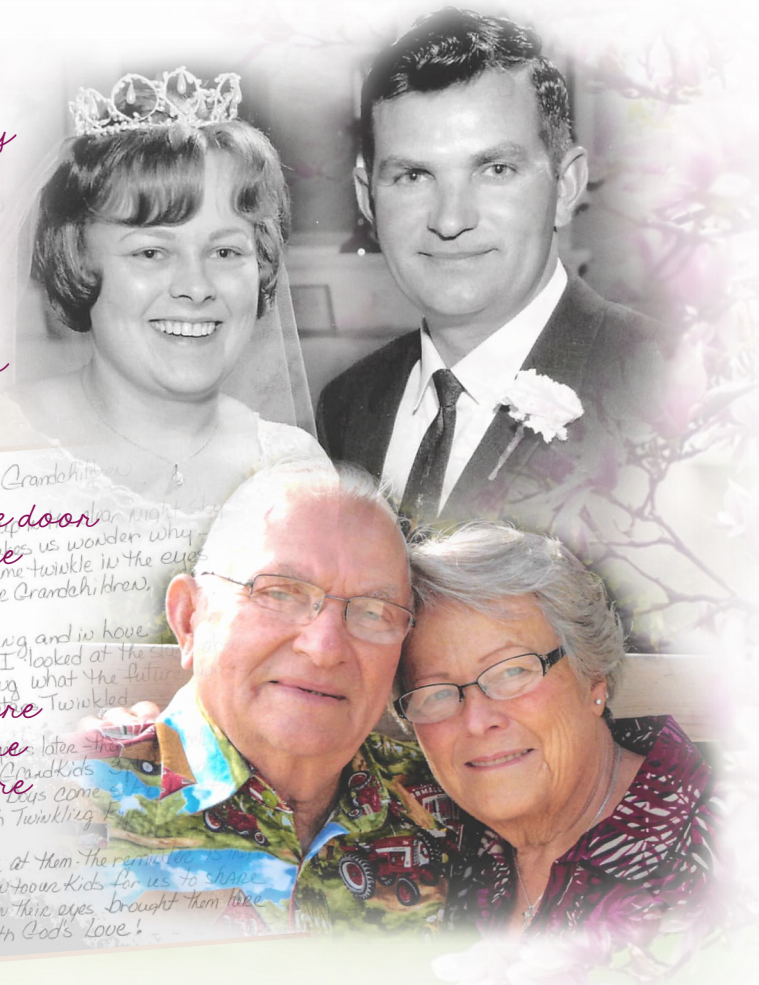
Long ago, young and in love
Grandpa and I looked at the stars above
And wondering what the future was
The Stars Twinkled.

Thirty plus years later - There's a knock at the door
In come our Grandkids 3 plus 3 and 4 more
7 girls and 3 boys come sit on the floor
With Twinkling Eyes.

When we look at them - The reminder is there
They were given to our kids for us to share
The twinkle in their eyes brought them here
With God's Love!

-Sharon Ratz

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Celebrating a Legacy of Love

SHARON FAYE RATZ

Date of Birth

February 11, 1945

Date of Death

November 4, 2018

Celebration of Life

Friday, November 9, 2018 ~ 11:00am
Vergas Event Center
Vergas, Minnesota

Officiant

Pastor Amy Strom

Special Music

Jane Wasvick, *Accompanist*
Linda Hink, *Soloist*

Interment

Vergas Village Cemetery
Vergas, Minnesota

Casket Bearers

Jeff Ratz
Greg Ratz
Barry Cronenwett
Isaac Ratz
Ben Ratz
Kasey Ratz

Honorary Casket Bearers

Kathy Wouters, *dear friend*
Lacey Stoll
Keshia Buschette
Kaley Nord
Erica Ratz
Brianna Nelson
Katie McCorquodale
Kelsey Precht
Elsie Ratz
Addison Ratz
Caleb Ratz
Keaton Ratz
Asa Stoll
Cora Stoll
McKenna Precht
Kysen Precht
Gage Buschette
Lydia Nord

