

Mom,

It is a deep mystery,  
This matter of life and death...  
That the same person  
Who brought us a thousand joys,  
Can one day leave us shedding a thousand tears...  
So suddenly, sometimes  
That we grope blindly for words left unspoken,  
And for the hug we needed to give,  
To say goodbye.  
And we wonder,  
How this thread that holds us all to life  
Can be so thin and fragile...  
Until one day, we find the courage to accept  
That the living aren't meant to understand death,  
Only to celebrate life,  
And to remember that the only real death  
is forgetting.

*We will never forget you*



REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF

*Shannon Faye  
Van Litsenborgh*

SEPTEMBER 17, 1978-DECEMBER 23, 2025





## Obituary

Shannon Faye Van Litsenborgh, of Gillette Wyoming passed away in her home from natural causes and lived 47 years from September 17th, 1978, to December 23rd of 2025. Shannon Faye Van Litsenborgh was born in Spearfish South Dakota and didn't just reside there she lived in Driggs, Sheridan and Sundance. Shannon's parents are Gerald Van Litsenborgh, Karen Brandt and Steve Roth. Shannon grew up with 4 siblings, Stephanie, Robi, Eric and Amber. Growing up Shannon was surrounded by loved ones and friends Shannon always talked about Dawn and how much fun and mischief they got into together. Shannon made many achievements in her life, graduated high school, got her CDL, made many friends through jobs as a bouncer, driving for PTI transportation and running equipment for Rain Link; she didn't just stop there. Shannon is a mother of three beautiful children. Dominic Trode her eldest son who has a beautiful wife, Madeleine Trode and two grandchildren; Steston Trode, and Penelope Trode, Colby Trode her second eldest son and Ashlynn Trode her youngest daughter, with two grandchildren Cattleya Trode-Lasslett and one on the way. Shannon made many friends in her life; some even have the most interesting fun stories involving Shannon. Some say Shannon was full of life and always looking for the next laugh or adventure, others say Shannon was the loudest one in the room with joyful laughter that was always contagious. But when it comes down to it, Shannon loved all things, but the thing that was the most important to Shannon was being able to have joyful and joking conversations with friends and family. Shannon loved playing with Cattleya and cuddling the fat cat Roscoe, who always got told to move out the way when Shannon was doing something. Shannon had a big love for animals and places she called home. Shannon is preceded in death by her father, Gerald Van Litsenborgh and little brother Robi Allen Roth. Memorials and condolences can be sent in care to Gillette Memorial Chapel, 210 West 5<sup>th</sup> St. Gillette, WY, 82716 or at [www.gillettememorialchapel.com](http://www.gillettememorialchapel.com)



# Memorial Gathering

11:00 A.M. SATURDAY

JANUARY 3, 2026

WALKER FUNERAL HOME  
GILLETTE, WYOMING

The family invites you to join them in a catered meal from Dickey's BBQ to remember and celebrate the life of Shannon.

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