

Cheryl Ann McElwain

Cheryl was born June 30, 1963, in Deadwood, SD, to Charles and Elaine (Stephens) Green. She grew up in Sturgis, SD.

Cheryl worked several jobs throughout her life, eventually finding her calling working in healthcare, taking care of the elderly or working with the mentally disabled. She became a CNA and a certified Med Tech.

Drawing inspiration from her mother, Elaine Green, who worked for Black Hill's Special Services, Cheryl worked for them for a number of years herself.

She was employed with Northern Hill's Training Center in Spearfish, SD, at the time of her passing.

Cheryl didn't need much to be happy. She was humble and sincere, sharing her endless compassion and empathy to anyone she met. She cherished spending time with her children and grand-children and loved cruising around town. In her free time, you'd often find her at the VFW in Sturgis, or as she liked to refer to it as, "her church", relaxing with her friends, whom she cared for deeply. Endless amounts of smiles and laughter were guaranteed to be seen and heard almost immediately upon her entering a room.

Cheryl radiated a warm and wholesome presence and she had this special quality about her, that made it impossible to not want to be around. Cheryl was an amazing listener and empathetic by nature, always lending an ear or offering her shoulder for one to cry on, no matter the time or day.

Cheryl touched countless lives over the years.

She was a one-of-a-kind soul with a heart of pure gold, and left such a positive and resonating impression on every individual that was fortunate enough to meet her.

The world lost a truly beautiful soul and she will be missed greatly.

Cheryl Ann McElwain, 58, Sturgis, SD, passed away at home on Saturday, August 28, 2021.

Cheryl is survived by her children, Ashley McElwain, and Ryan McElwain; her three brothers, Larry Wallace (Lila), Sturgis, SD, Richard Wallace (Debbie), Gillette, WY, Douglas Green (Melissa), Sturgis, SD; and her two sisters, Diane Meisel, Belle Fourche, SD, and Karen Helms (Scott), Box Elder, SD; four grandkids: Illiana, Justus, Mason, and Logan; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Elaine Green; an infant son, Christopher Green; and two brothers, Robert Wallace, and Kenneth Green; her grandparents; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, a nephew; and her brother-in-law, Mark Meisel.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.



In Loving Memory of

Cheryl Ann McElwain

June 30, 1963 - August 28, 2021



*So, so you think you can tell
Heaven from hell?
Blue skies from pain?
Can you tell a green field
From a cold steel rail?
A smile from a veil?
Do you think you can tell?*

*Did they get you to trade
Your heroes for ghosts?
Hot ashes for trees?
Hot air for a cool breeze?
Cold comfort for change?
Did you exchange
A walk-on part in the war
For a leading role in a cage?*

*How I wish, how I wish you were here
We're just two lost souls
Swimming in a fish bowl
Year after year
Running over the same old ground
What have we found?
The same old fears
Wish you were here*



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Born

June 30, 1963

Deadwood, South Dakota

Died

August 28, 2021

Sturgis, South Dakota

Graveside Service

Monday, September 13, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.

Bear Butte Cemetery

Sturgis, South Dakota

Officiant

Pastor John Williamson

Urn Bearers

Ryan McElwain Ashley McElwain
All Grandkids

Heavenly Urn Bearers

Christopher Green

*The family would like to invite you to join them for Potluck lunch and fellowship
at the Vet's Club in Sturgis following the committal service.*

We thank you for your presence and condolences.