SHARON MAE DOBBS COYLE May 8, 1939 – September 15, 2022

In the early hours of September 15, 2022 in Lecanto, Florida, with her children by her side, the world lost a beautiful soul when Sharon Mae Dobbs Coyle returned to her Heavenly home. Knowing that this Earthly life is not the whole of our eternal journeys and that we will be together again, we, Sharon's beloved family, take great comfort in knowing she was welcomed home by our loving Heavenly Father and also reunited with her parents after decades apart.

Born May 8, 1939 in Boston, Massachusetts to Esther Miriam Carrington and Bernard Francis Huntley, Sharon's parents and sister moved her to Florida when she was three years old, hoping the warmer climate would get and keep her healthy. Sharon called Miami, Florida home for the majority of her life, but she also lived in Boulder City and Las Vegas, Nevada and Prairie Grove, Arkansas.



Sharon possessed many wonderful qualities. She was a great friend and someone who never knew a stranger; after just a short time together, you'd know a lot about each other and had most likely shared some laughs. She worked hard, whether that was at an early-morning paper route, babysitting rambunctious toddlers, or managing a busy executive's office. Albeit with a true hatred for yard work, Sharon was a happy homemaker with a talent for sewing, cooking and baking who, in her middle years, worked wonders preparing and canning the bounty of her then-husband's mammoth garden, occasionally exclaiming something along the lines of, "What am I supposed to do with 100 eggplant!" Sadly, she preferred her beef, bacon and cookies well done, so she missed some truly delicious experiences in this life, but she made up for that loss with her love of ice cream, requiring her family to coin the term "Sharon bowl" as an option offered when dishing out her preferred dessert. She was always game for a middle-of-the-night adventure and even encouraged those of her teenaged children as long as she knew the where, when and with whom details. Having a great sense of humor, she appreciated a funny story, even if it was at her expense.

Sharon loved to bowl, travel, and dance. And shop. She really, really loved to shop. And if her quest culminated in the purchase of a favored blouse or pair of shoes, then they simply must be had in every color. The landscape of the American West was highly regarded by her as one of God's masterpieces and the briefest moments of survey or recollection could bring tears to her eyes. Music of pretty much any type was enthusiastically appreciated, especially if it had a fun beat she could move to, but her favorites were "her man" Engelbert, Big Band and Doo-wop, with the Bee Gees regularly added into the mix. A voracious reader, she also found pleasure in watching John Wayne westerns, classic television shows and movies, and NCIS marathons (the original NCIS, thank you very much).

A fashionista with a bright and colorful personality and wardrobe, who loved to sparkle yet preferred loose-fitting comfort at home, Sharon never left the house before carefully evaluating her outfit, touching up her lipstick, spritzing a favorite fragrance, and making sure her shoes matched her purse. Once she'd found her keys and eyeglasses, that is. Stunningly beautiful and a pioneer of sorts, she proudly rocked her prematurely silver hair a full 50 years before it was on-trend and she looked fabulous while doing so.

Sharon adored and cherished her babies, babies-in-law and grandbabies, and she missed them deeply when they were apart. She often remarked that she had thoroughly enjoyed every stage of her children's childhoods and was thrilled that they were spaced far enough apart in age that she had three "only children." As a mother-in-law she was a true gem, frequently saying, "How could I not love someone who loved my child?"

Sharon's battle with cancer was brief but fierce. Always a strong person, at 83 she was getting tired, and in the end cancer won.

Sharon is survived by her children, Donnie, Debbie and Mike; their spouses, Katrina, Louis and Susan; their children, children-in-law and grandchildren, Brittany, Kyle and Angie, Adam, Braden, and Tyler, Alieece, Tryton and Eliza; her children's father, Don; and her sisters, Patty and Karon, her honorary sister, Rosie, and their collective multitude of children, grandchildren and more, including her decades-apart twin and sometimes partner-in-crime, Roni.

Sharon was laid to rest during a private service at Fountains Memorial Park in Homosassa, Florida. A Celebration of Life will take place in the coming weeks; please reach out to Sharon's family members if you would like those details once they are confirmed.

Mourn Sharon, but please also rejoice in her homecoming. Sharon loved to receive flowers, so without a doubt gift some to a cherished loved one, frequently and for no reason at all, but in lieu of sending the family flowers we ask that you consider a donation in her remembrance to the missionary fund of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Humane Society of the Treasure Coast, Native American Rights Fund, or Wounded Warrior Project.

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