

Cheryl Marie (Roers) Elmer was born to Norbert and Shirley Roers in Parkers Prairie on July 5, 1956. She attended catholic school until eighth grade in Millerville and then graduated from Brandon in the class of 1974. Cheryl met Shane Elmer while they were both in high school and were married shortly after in Alexandria on March 6, 1975.

Cheryl and Shane made their home in Evansville where they welcomed their three sons, Jason, Lee, and Bret. Cheryl had a way of making everyone feel special and was often thought of as the community mom to the kids of Evansville. With the hustle and bustle of raising three boys their home was known as “Grand Central Station.”

Cheryl brought her love of kids into her career as a paraprofessional at Evansville Public School and the Runestone Regional Learning Center. She also worked in an administrative role in the ER at the Douglas County Hospital. She transitioned into the manufacturing industry in 2005 when she filled the role of her late son, Lee, at Protherm in Brandon until her retirement last fall.

Cheryl loved watching her son’s and grandchildren’s athletic events and was their number one fan. She also enjoyed cooking for her family and was famous for her potato soup, dumplings, porcupine meatballs, and banana bread. Cheryl also had a love for the band, Alabama, and attended as many of their concerts as she could at the grandstands of the MN State Fair.

She is survived by her husband, Shane; children, Jason (Heidi) and Bret (Chelle); grandchildren, Mia, Kendall, Ashlyn, Grayson, Merick, Brielle, and Eilee Elmer; brothers, Clyde (Tammy) Roers, Clem (Kristi) Roers, Chris (Dianna) Roers; sister, Corrine Mumm; nephews and nieces, Brandyn and Brady Roers, Devin, Sadie, and Emma Roers, Derrick, Daren, Rachel, and Brittany Mumm. She is preceded in death by her son, Lee; her parents; grandparents; and several aunts and uncles.

Cheryl M. Elmer age 63 of Evansville died on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 surrounded by the love of her family at her home in Evansville.

Footprints In The Sand

One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from her life. For each scene, she noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to her, and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of her life flashed before her, she looked back at the footprints in the sand. She noticed that many times along the path of her life there was one set of footprints. She also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in her life. This really bothered her and she questioned the Lord about it. “Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you’d walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don’t understand why when I needed you most you would leave me.” The Lord replied, “My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During the times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you.”

In Memory of
Cheryl Marie Elmer

July 5, 1956 ☩ April 21, 2020



Funeral Service
Anderson Funeral Chapel
Alexandria, Minnesota
Friday, April 24, 2020, 1:30 PM

Officiant
Chaplin Deb Hadley

Casket Bearers
Brandyn Roers Sadie Roers
Brady Roers Emma Roers
Devin Roers Chris Roers

Honorary Casket Bearers
Mia Elmer Merick Elmer
Kendall Elmer Brielle Elmer
Ashlyn Elmer Eilee Elmer
Grayson Elmer Lane Elmer
Sadie Steen

Graveside Service
Father Peter Vander Weyst
Mound Grove Cemetery
Evansville, Minnesota
Friday, April 24, 2020, 3:00 PM