

Gone From Us

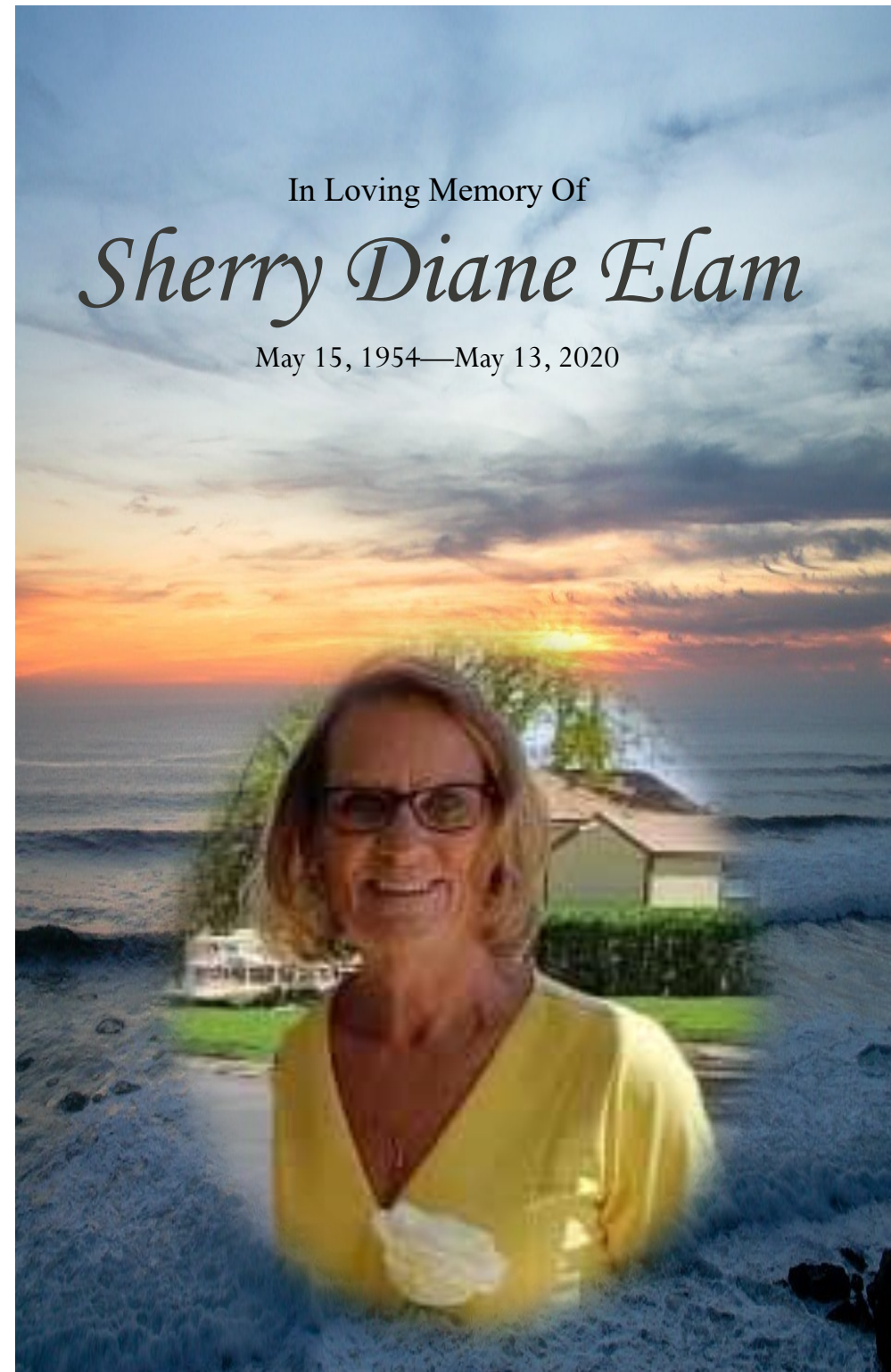
*Gone from us that smiling face,
The cheerful pleasant ways,
The heart that won so many friends,
In bygone, happy days.*

*A life made beautiful by kindly deeds,
A helping hand for others' needs.
To a beautiful life,
Comes a happy end,
She died as she lived,
Everyone's friend.*

Author Unknown

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Sherry Diane Elam, 65, of Mandan, went to be with her Lord and Savior on May 13th, 2020, at Sanford Hospital in Bismarck surrounded by her family. She was taken from this Earth unexpectedly and too soon. She was needed in Heaven to complete God's work.

She was a vibrant soul and will truly be missed by all.

Sherry was born May 15th, 1954 in Redfield, South Dakota. The daughter of Gerard and Florence (Petersen) Sheldon. She attended Christ the King

School and graduated from Mandan High School before moving to Minot to attend Nursing School. Taking care of others was Sherry's true passion even in death. In Minot, she met the love of her life, a Tennessee boy stationed at Minot Air Force Base. Vernon Ralph Elam and Sherry Sheldon were married on August 2nd, 1977. Together they had two children, Amanda and Derek.

Sherry worked at Sanford Hospital for 38 years before retiring in 2018. She worked in various areas of the hospital including OB/GYN, Pediatrics, and Occupational Health before closing out her career at the Sanford South Clinic.

Upon retirement, Sherry enjoyed spending her winters at their home in Cape Coral, Florida. She loved the sun, boating, and gardening. Her admiration for her grandson, LeRoy Thomas III (LT), was second to none. She was his biggest cheerleader and could be found as a regular at the hockey rink cheering him on.

Sherry will be deeply missed and is survived by her husband Ralph; her children Amanda (LeRoy) Thomas and Derek Elam (Stephanie Rewald); her grandson, LT Thomas; her mother Florence (Petersen) Sheldon; siblings; Ann (Sheldon) Meidinger, Chris (Stan) Roth, Julie (Garry) Joersz; sister-in-law Vicki Sheldon, and Tim (Denise) Sheldon along with her numerous nieces and nephews.

Sherry is preceded in death by her father, Gerard (Jerry) Sheldon; and brother Joseph (Jody) Sheldon.

**Following the service at 12:30PM the family invites you for lunch and fellowship at the Mandan Rural Fire Department.
3014 34th St NW, Mandan, ND**

In Loving Memory Of

Sherry Diane Elam

May 15, 1954—May 13, 2020

Funeral Liturgy

**Wednesday, May 20, 2020; 10:30 AM
CHURCH**

Celebrant

Reverend Josh Waltz

Opening Song

"Be Not Afraid"

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Wisdom 7:1-8

Lector

Sarah Johnson

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23

"The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want"

New Testament Reading

Romans 6: 3-9

Lector

Sarah Johnson

Gospel Reading

John 11:21-27

Homily

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

Communion Song

"You are Mine"

Final Commendation

"Song of Farewell"

Closing Song

"On Eagle's Wings"

Inurnment

**North Dakota Veteran's Cemetery
Mandan, North Dakota
May 20, 2020 12PM**