



Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter

October 27, 1958 - August 23, 2016

Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter, beloved mother, daughter, sister, grandmother, great-grandmother & aunt, of Kansas City, KS, passed away on Tuesday, August 23, 2016 at the University of Kansas Medical Center at the age of 57. Sharri was born the daughter of Joseph Adkins, Sr. and Helen (Soverns) Adkins on October 27, 1958 in Kansas City, KS. Survivors include her father; sons, Robert W. Zahnter and his wife Christy, Joseph Zahnter, Sr. and his wife DeAnna, Timothy "Homey" Zahnter and his wife Samantha; brother, Joseph Adkins, Jr. and his wife Beverly; best friend, Roger "Rick" Rodriguez; five granddaughters; five grandsons; three great-grandchildren with one on the way as well as several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother. A memorial visitation will be held on Friday, August 26, 2016 from 6-7:00 PM followed by a memorial service at 7:00 PM both being held at Maple Hill Funeral Home, KCK. Memorial contributions can be made in Sharri's loving memory to AIDS Walk Kansas City, P.O. Box 32192, KCMO 64171. To share a memory or to leave condolences, please visit www.maplehillfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG **26**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 26, 2016 at 02:33 PM



Micheal
Griffith

What a wonderful collection of memories. Great job with these pics. Rest in peace.

Micheal Griffith - August 27, 2016 at 02:24 PM

BR

Such a beautiful, kind and loving lady... So sorry to hear of her passing. May she rest in peace with the Lord forever. I will always remember you dear Shari even if only a short time on Facebook. We shared many things in common, love you always.

Bonnie Recher - September 01, 2016 at 04:04 PM

RH

So sorry to hear the loss did not know until today will miss you enjoyed our talks and friend to each other R.I.P

Raylene Hudson - September 16, 2016 at 10:52 PM



“ *Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM

RR

“ To, and for all of those of you that might care to read my words of "sharing memories" here, I've posted them for you to do just that. If, however, you don't want to read them, or choose not to ever hear another word from me; be it spoken or written as it is here, then by all means... PLEASE stop reading this post from me NOW! I don't want to be a burden to anyone that doesn't care to read what I have to say. However since I gave 12 years of my life taking care of someone that I wasn't even married to, I guess I've got just as much right to "share my memories" as the next person, or persons that Sharri knew in her life.

Well, it's going on two years now since Sharri has left us. Ironically, I STILL often will wake up at night; thinking I'm staring in to her face, and seeing the twinkle of her beautiful blue eyes.

It wasn't always easy to see her eyes when ever she was saddened by someone or something in her life that took a part of her will to go on, but even during those times, she did the best that she could to smile. Yes, her smile was very infectious, and could light up a gloomy room and lift up one's spirits.

It's really hard sometimes now listening back on past phone conversations which we had, and hearing her voice, or watching a video of her playing with Lady and Addison, (Her two Pekinese dogs which she loved so dearly). If dogs can actually "miss someone that was apart of their lives," then I guess that the two of them miss her just as much as I do.

There are often times when I'll be thinking about Sharri, and some of the fun we had shared together, and for what ever reason, I'll envision that I am actually still sitting or standing next to her; making her smile about something that I'd said or done to lift her up. When I turn to see where she's at, while looking around for her to be here standing or sitting beside me I think out loud... "When did you get here?" Where did you come from? Quite honestly, I don't think she's ever actually left.

Although she IS in the spirit world now, I know that we can't physically see her, nor can we actually hear her voice, but... Being a firm believer that there IS an after world where people DO exist and carry on with life, She's VERY MUCH still alive and IS HERE!! All present and accounted for.

I have so many good times and memories to remember her by, and although they are only memories now, they're still very close to my heart. Those special memories of Sharri are memories that only TIME may one day fade away from me, but as long as I can HAVE them to reflect on what we shared, I WILL do exactly that! Thank you Sharri for ALL those loving years you've given to me, and I PRAY that you are now TRULY happy!

I know that during her last few months leading up to her passing, and even after that, I had probably lost some; if not ALL of her family as my "friends." Some have become extremely angry, bitter, and cold towards me. Unfortunately, since I don't get along with anger, and bitterness, I'd done the only thing I know to do. I've walked away from those that don't wish to have me in their lives, or have any more to do with me. Although it saddens me in MANY ways, I guess what Sharri used to say to me holds true... Even if it IS a BITTER truth. "Everything happens for a reason." Quite honestly, those that I thought would still want me around, and part of their lives, showed me real quickly that they no longer have need for me as being part of their lives... As far as I know, they probably don't even care that I'm still here, or that I AM even still alive! For them, I feel as if I'd lost part of a family, but then again, if I'm not wanted in their lives, or they don't want me to be "part of the family," then I'll carry on with my OWN separate life away from them in my life and wish them well.

What matters the most is this. During those twelve years that I'd known Sharri, I HOPE she knows how MUCH she was TRULY LOVED by me. I STILL LOVE YOU, Sharri!! (My "Pet Agree!") Rick.



Uncle Rick I love you and still think about you all the time. I miss grandma sharri so much I have 2 kids now she would be so proud of me I miss her so much reading this made me cry

Michaela - December 17, 2018 at 04:26 AM

RR

“ Well, I really haven't posted much of anything here to show my feelings, however, I think now I will.

Yesterday, which was October 27th, 2016, my best friend Sharri would have celebrated her 58th birthday on this earth. Time still hasn't healed the loss I feel for her, being not only her best friend, but also her long time care giver which spanned over the course of the past 12 years.

For those of you that got to know Sharri while she was here on earth, (whether you can believe in this or not), were gifted with the presence of having an Angel in their lives, and I was one of those that had been blessed with knowing her, thus making the gift of having an Angel in my life a reality as well. It isn't often that you actually get to know and be in the presence of one of God's Angels as well, so now that she's gone, I can only reflect on the time we shared while I was with her here on earth.

Thank you, Sharri for all the things you had done for me. For all of the gifts that you had bestowed on me, and the memories of our laughter, and tears which we shared through the final years of your life. You are, and have been in my thoughts and prayers every single day since I'd lost you... The one and only person that I am so proud to have known.

I miss you so much, Sharri, and my love for you is still as strong as it had been for so many years. Please don't ever forget that, OK? I know you have other people in your life too that you need to get back to on the spirit side of this world, so I'll let you get back to them. Please feel free to come and visit me anytime. WAIT to see you again one of these days where I can call you my "Pet Agree" in person again!

I love you, Sharri, and I ALWAYS WILL!!!

You Best Friend Forever!!!

Rick.

Roger R. Rodriguez - October 28, 2016 at 12:45 PM

M(

“ *My prayers and condolences to everyone who knew and loved Sharri. She was such a good, kind, loving person. So many memories have resurfaced since she passed. It feels good yet it makes me so sad. She was the first friend I made from Rosedale when Harmon opened and then became one of my best friends. We worked at her parents bakery, went to football games, and hung out a lot. Turned out she lived on the block behind me. Heaven is happy that she's there now. I'm happy I got to be friends with her and that she's no longer suffering. RIP Sharri. {{{HUGS}}}* My friend.

Mary J Meeker (Donnelly) - August 26, 2016 at 08:40 PM

SP

“ *I (regrettably) only got to know Sharri online, but the memory of her strength, determination, and positive attitude will stay with me forever. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Susan Pigeon - August 26, 2016 at 07:34 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - August 26, 2016 at 02:25 PM

Robert Zahnter

“ If I had the chance to meet you for one last time I would just ask you to hug me as tightly as you can, rest my head on your shoulders... and cry till my tears run dry. I miss you mom. I love you.



Robert Zahnter - August 26, 2016 at 11:50 AM

DR

In our FB group she posted a picture of the 2 of you. Happiest picture I ever saw. She was a courageous lady! Love and prayers to you and your Family. She will be missed❤️

Donna Robertd - August 26, 2016 at 06:26 PM

RZ

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Robert Zahnter - August 26, 2016 at 11:48 AM

SA

“ So sorry to hear about this, she was a sweet lady.

Sandra - August 26, 2016 at 10:13 AM

KC

“ I am truly saddened by the news of Sharri's passing. I only knew her through a Facebook group but we had several heartfelt exchanges. It seemed no matter her worries, she was always so sweet and caring for others. She was inspiring and I'm glad I had a chance to connect with her. I hope it comforts her family to know she was loved by many!

Kris Commeans - August 26, 2016 at 06:47 AM

Cat
Mackenzie
Gray

“ Shari was such an inspiration. I only knew her online but she was such an open and friendly soul.



Cat Mackenzie-Gray - August 26, 2016 at 06:34 AM

Liisa
Glandorf

“ Sharri was such an inspiration to me on Facebook. I am so glad to have "known" her and will miss her. Condolences to her family. The mention of her name will always bring a smile to my face.

Liisa Glandorf - August 25, 2016 at 11:17 PM

SH

“ I only knew Sharri online but it was obvious she was a caring soul and she loved her kids and grandkids. Praying her friends & family will find peace in their memories and knowing she is at peace,

Sharon - August 25, 2016 at 10:38 PM

TE

“ Very sweet and always positive. She will be kissed.



Teresa - August 25, 2016 at 10:18 PM

TE

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Teresa - August 25, 2016 at 10:16 PM

 Dana Wheeler

“ Dana Wheeler lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter



Dana Wheeler - August 25, 2016 at 09:57 PM



“ *Shari was an inspiration to me during her time on our FB group. She will be missed!*

Wendy Landry - August 25, 2016 at 09:06 PM

CF

“ *Cindy From FB lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Cindy from FB - August 25, 2016 at 08:36 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter.*



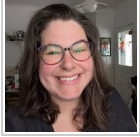
August 25, 2016 at 08:07 PM

AM

“ *Dear family and loved ones of Sharri, I pray that God's Angels of mercy surround and give you strength during this special time. Sharri was a very giving and caring part of our Facebook group. I just wanted to let you know that she touched many of us-world wide. She will truly be missed.*



Anna Garrett-Port Huron, Michigan - August 25, 2016 at 07:57 PM



“ *Sharri was such a bright, sunny person! I wasn't lucky enough to meet her in person, but she touched so many people like me worldwide.*
I wish to give her family my most sincere condolences. I pray that love and kindness carry you through this difficult time. ”

Melissa Martel - August 25, 2016 at 07:56 PM



“ *Rae Smith Evans lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter* ”



Rae Smith Evans - August 25, 2016 at 07:55 PM



“ *I never met Shari, yet she was an encouragement to me and many other friends. My prayers are with her family. Her faith and strength reached far and wide.* ”

Karen - August 25, 2016 at 07:52 PM

DW

“ Shari and I belonged to a mutual fb group and even though I never met her you could tell from her posts that she had a heart of gold. Sharri was going through a difficult time but you could tell she was a fighter. I am so sorry for her family and will keep you all in my prayers and thoughts. I will look back fondly on Sharri as I think she taught all of us in the group a lesson or two that we should never forget. May your wonderful memories of Sharri help to comfort you during such a difficult time. Bless you all.



Darcy Whyte - August 25, 2016 at 07:32 PM



“ Sandy Rogers Matson lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter



Sandy Rogers Matson - August 25, 2016 at 07:20 PM

HC

“ Sending thoughts and prayers to all of you. I hope the memories you shared will be a comfort to you in the days ahead. My condolences on your loss.



Hope Caye - August 25, 2016 at 07:20 PM

LS

“ I am so sorry to hear of Sharri's passing. I hope she had an easy journey and was surrounded by those who loved her. I only knew her through a mutual Facebook page, but prayed for her often. Her cheerful postings were a source of inspiration to so many people. Rest in peace, Sweet Angel.

Linda Scrimshire - August 25, 2016 at 06:03 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter.



August 25, 2016 at 04:11 PM

LQ

“ Joe,
I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. I cant even imagine what you and your family are going through. I know she has been through a lot in her life and I pray that your entire family can heal and find peace in knowing your mother loved you all very, very much. She was always so kind to me....and you would be surprised at all the conversations her and I had over the phone when we were in 7th grade. I wish you and your family nothing but love and light.



Lindsey M. Quaas - August 25, 2016 at 09:32 AM

LG

“ *Laura Gould sent a virtual gift in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Laura Gould - August 25, 2016 at 09:11 AM

BK

“ *My prayers go to the family for strength to get through the hard time. We light a candle for her.*



Betsy Kilker - August 25, 2016 at 08:04 AM

DE

“ *Debra Eisemann sent a virtual gift in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Debra Eisemann - August 25, 2016 at 07:47 AM

CA

“ *My sincerest sympathies to Sharri's family. She was a sweet internet friend. She has won the race: no more pain and suffering.*



Carol - August 25, 2016 at 12:15 AM

 Diane Mitchell

“ *May you fly as free as a beautiful butterfly, free from the burdens of this world. You touched so many lives and we're an encourager to many people, some you had never even met. Rest now in the arms of Jesus!*



Diane Mitchell - August 24, 2016 at 10:35 PM

JK

“ *Sharri is loved by many more than one can imagine. In life we find a place to share our day to day struggles and excitements. I am glad to have met her through a common facebook group. We stood by her, worried for her, cared for her, encouraged her, and were - ARE-inspired by her!*

We followed her and worried as we hadn't heard an update from her in a while. We are all saddened to hear she is no longer with us.

This may not be the place, but please - Joseph, please check your facebook messages, you'll find a message in your "message request" folder. Your mom loved her boys dearly and had a project in the works. We are worried that it won't find it's way to him nor that he will know how excited she was to give to him when it was "done."

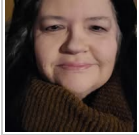
It may not be done to her, but he'll love it still the same!

I wish you all healing and strength as you continue without her; but know she's happy, looking upon you all and her furbabies.

Find strength in the strength your mother had. She was strong and brave; A true lively soul. Not even the loss of voice could keep her silent.

She was loved!

Jessica Kidder - August 24, 2016 at 10:11 PM



“ *Nita Ostroff sent a virtual gift in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Nita Ostroff - August 24, 2016 at 10:04 PM

CH

“ *Cheri lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*




Cheri - August 24, 2016 at 10:02 PM

AS

“ *Angela Stanton lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Angela Stanton - August 24, 2016 at 09:56 PM

 Barbara Loubey

“ *Barbara Loubey lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Barbara Loubey - August 24, 2016 at 09:50 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter.*



August 24, 2016 at 09:48 PM



“ *Robin Andersen sent a virtual gift in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Robin Andersen - August 24, 2016 at 09:44 PM



“ *I only knew Sharri through Facebook, but she was an inspiration to me. I prayed for her and still do, but she did much more for me. She showed me how to be strong, brave and perseverant. She was so positive. I will miss her posts, but her Spirit will continue to touch many. Rest in Peace Sharri. God bless.*



Maureen - August 24, 2016 at 09:27 PM



“ *Maureen lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Maureen - August 24, 2016 at 09:21 PM

LG

“ *Laura Gould sent a virtual gift in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Laura Gould - August 24, 2016 at 09:09 PM

LG

“ *Laura Gould lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Laura Gould - August 24, 2016 at 09:05 PM

KA

“ *Sending my thoughts and prayers to your family*



Kaylan - August 24, 2016 at 09:04 PM

SP

“ *Susana Perez lit a candle in memory of Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Susana Perez - August 24, 2016 at 07:03 PM



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Perez

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Susana Perez - August 24, 2016 at 07:02 PM



Christy
Zahnter

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Sharrelian "Sharri" Zahnter*



Christy Zahnter - August 24, 2016 at 06:47 PM