



Sharon M. Hyde

February 17, 1953 - December 15, 2022

Sharon Marie Messinger Hyde was born on February 17, 1953 in Clarksburg, WV to James Wilbur Messinger and Edna Mae Mitchell Messinger. Sharon's family and friends called her Sherri. Sherri was the eldest of six siblings and she and her youngest brother, James, were born on the same day, exactly 10 years apart.

While most of Sherri's early life was spent in West Virginia, she moved back to Austin, Texas when she was a senior and graduated from Del Valle High School in 1972. She married Thomas C. Hyde in 1975 and together they had two children, Sabrina Grace Hyde and Thomas C. Hyde, III.

Sherri held various jobs in Austin until the semi-conductor business came to town in the late 70s with the company Advanced Micro Devices (AMD) where she went to work and began her career in the semi-conductor industry. She worked her way up from the line where the "chips" were made to the teaching department where she became an instructor. Later, she moved from AMD to Cypress Semiconductor where she continued to advance her career into the Quality Assurance Department, from which she ultimately retired.

Many people who knew Sherri, never knew that she was an artist at heart from a very early age; perhaps her first real love. Judging it unsustainable as a career pursuit, she kept it to herself and some of those very close to her. She particularly loved chalk and charcoal mediums but was just as good with acrylics. Sherri was a huge James Bond fan with Sean Connery being the only actor she considered the "real" double-O-7. Sherri had a real love of

“style” and she lamented more than once that she wanted to bring back women’s hats, gloves, heels and fancy dresses and she certainly did her part in making that happen with many of her best pictures being those of her wearing such garments. More than anything else though, Sherri was an avid reader with “avid” not really being sufficiently descriptive to address her passion for reading. How many nights Sherri stayed up all night just to finish a good book is too many to count. She particularly loved Sci-fi but that was by no means all she read. Sherri was a generous and loving person who will be sorely missed by those who knew and loved her.

Sherri was preceded in death by both her parents, her oldest brother, Steven, her husband, Tom, and her son, TC. She is survived by her daughter, Sabrina, her two sisters, Wanda Kay and Kathy Arletta and her two brothers, Ricky Ellis and James Wilbur, Jr., her aunt, Thelma Jean, and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Sherri passed away on December 15, 2022. There is no memorial service planned at this time for her, however, if you would like to contribute to her daughter’s Go-Fund-Me to help Sabrina get back on her feet again (<https://gofund.me/dbf616ff>), it would be most appreciated.

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October 05, 2023 at 10:58 AM



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“ *As my oldest sister I looked up to Sherri very much. I used to sneak near her bedroom door just to listen to the radio music she was always playing. I loved the 60's rock and roll and so did she..Sherri was always there for me to fix a broken toy or do my hair in a bee hive, She would take me places many of them for the first time for me. I love my big sister. Her smile her laugh her caring for others. and her absolute lack of a sense of direction. Getting lost was a certainty when going any where with Sherri. Rest in peace dear sister. I love you.*

Kathy Hudson - March 23, 2023 at 08:12 PM

“ God blessed me with two great sisters who are also two great friends and now I have lost one, my oldest sister Sherri. Sherri was an awesome “big sister” always looking out for me whether it was sneaking me a pair of panty hose in high school or showing me how to apply makeup before our parents allowed it. We shared an apartment together before our respective marriages and we made so many precious memories during that time. We were often mistaken for twins and Sherri especially loved it when people thought I was the older sister, which often happened. We were bridesmaids in each other’s weddings. We raised our young children together, we went through divorces together, we supported each other in our careers together, we came together to support our mother when she needed us at the end of her life and in our later years, we would meet regularly for coffee at La Madeline’s to talk about all of it. I am missing those coffee talks more than I can express.

Sherri was not only an awesome sister, she was a good person who cared deeply about her family and friends. She was an incredible conversationalist having no problem talking about just about anything for hours on end. She became the family historian after mother passed away and I loved to hear her talk about family memories. She was a spiritual person who knew God and walked with Jesus daily always trying to be a better person. She was generous almost to a fault, giving of herself and anything she had that she could share. She was a creative person with a sense of design I have always admired. She was intelligent, witty and with a sense of humor that made so many occasions so much fun. She clearly possessed the “Messinger” stubbornness but in a way we could all respect.

I am certain that our family in heaven were all there to meet Sherri when she passed over as every one of us know that Sherri had absolutely no sense of direction and would need them there to direct her. I miss Sherri each and every day and while it might be said often, it is true that I will be alright without her but I will never be

the same. Sending love and Light to my Sister with every thought of her.



Kay Johnson - March 23, 2023 at 01:30 PM