



Sharon M. Duket

August 31, 2022

(nee Gaszak) Born to Eternal Life on Wednesday August 31, 2022 at the age of 85 years. Beloved wife of the late Walter "Duke". Loving mother of Debra (James) Luetzow, Cindy (Thomas) Dicks, Kim Duket and Kelli Jo Duket. Cherished grandmother of Richard Lopez, Jacob (Serenity) Wolfe, Matthew (Hallie) Dicks, Julie Luetzow, Sarah (Daniel Neely) Luetzow and Ann Luetzow. Great grandmother of Brayde, Isabella, Gianna and Lucia. She is preceded in death by her parents Joseph and Mabel Gaszak. Dear sister of David and the late Cheryl Gaszak as well as Jerome and Patti Gaszak. She is also survived by her stepsons Robert and Ronald Duket and their families as well as many other sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Sharon lived in the Lincoln Village neighborhood of Milwaukee for most of her adult life where she was a long time parishioner of St. Josaphat Basilica. All four of her daughters attended St. Josaphat Parish School. In the late 1970's, Sharon was recruited by the principal, Sr. Eileen Peters, FSSJ, to establish and manage a hot lunch program for the school. Sharon kept ties with the Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph, the religious community that staffed the school, throughout her lifetime. Sharon started the hot lunch program while her youngest daughter Kelli was still a student, and her eldest daughter Debbie was a teacher at the school. Her daughter Cindy worked with her in the lunch program for a time. She prepared and served lunches to her grandson Richie Lopez during his years as a St. Josaphat student as well as

to his mom Kim when she was in the building as a parent volunteer. Sharon retired from her position at age 74. Earlier in her life Sharon also worked among family at the bridal shop of her Great Aunt Tess Lutke where her beadwork adorned many bridal, bridesmaid, and First Holy Communion dresses.

Sharon enjoyed being active. Among the memories she often shared were: times spent at her parents' cottage on School Section Lake; camping with family and friends in Wisconsin State Parks; travel to state and national lunch program conferences; trips both domestic and international; family celebrations and activities. She also enjoyed a good meal especially one shared with others.

Sharon was a member of the International Order of Foresters and participated in many of their community charities in the Milwaukee area. She enjoyed the dances, dinners, bus trips and the camping outings that she took with them over the years. She was also a Women of the Moose.

Sharon spent the last 5 years in Beaver Dam as a resident at Charleston House Assisted Living. The family would like to sincerely thank the staff for all the care they provided. We would also like to thank the care providers from Generations Hospice Care.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to St Josaphat Parish School or the St Josaphat Basilica Foundation would be appreciated.

Memorial Visitation will be held Tuesday, October 4 at Rozga Funeral & Cremation Services - Rozga-Walloch Chapel (4309 S. 20th St, Milwaukee, WI 53221) from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM followed by Memorial Service at 12:30 PM (Livestream of the Service can be viewed here on Sharon's Tribute page at www.rozgafuneral.com). Inurnment will follow at St. Adalbert Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

St. Adalbert Cemetery

3801 S. 6th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53221

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

OCT 4. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Rozga Funeral & Cremation Services - Rozga-Walloch Chapel
4309 South 20th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53221
(414) 281-7145
<https://www.rozgafuneral.com/>

Memorial Service

OCT 4. 12:30 PM - 1:15 PM (CT)

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Cemetery Committal Service

OCT 4. 1:30 PM - 1:45 PM (CT)

St. Adalbert Cemetery
3801 S. 6th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53221

Tribute Wall



“ *Rozga Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Sharon M. Duket*



Rozga Funeral & Cremation Services - October 04, 2022 at 10:07 AM

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“ *As a former principal at St Josaphat School, I have many fond memories of Sharon who ran the BEST hot lunch program I've ever seen! I'm certain that was a result of her deep sense of responsibility in all aspects of her job, her love what she did, and those she did it with and for. That love was evident to staff and students alike. Sharon found many creative ways to entice students to eat healthy foods. One of my favorite memories was of the day she served brownies, which everyone loved. It was only after they had finished the brownies that she told everyone the brownies were made from red beets! To say there many looks of surprise, would be an understatement!*

Sharon was also a dear friend to many Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph over the years. Her kindnesses were always greatly appreciated. On behalf of these sisters, living and deceased, I would like to offer our sincere sympathy to Sharon's family as they grieve her loss. She and they have a special place in our hearts and in our prayers.

Sister Ann Marie Hudzina, FSSJ

Sister Ann Marie Hudzina, FSSJ - October 04, 2022 at 08:31 AM

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“ *She was one of the first cousins I met when moving to Milwaukee. Always a kind smile and a helping hand. Many card games played that I did not even know how to play but we had fun. A true Lady through and through. I loved her and all her girls! Stormy*

ELAINE E BLAKE - September 23, 2022 at 10:23 PM