



Jennifer Lynne Sheffer

July 15, 1959 - December 28, 2019

Traverse City - Jennifer Lynne Sheffer, 60, of Traverse City completed her earthly journey on Saturday, December 28, 2019 at Munson Hospice House in the care of her loving family.

Jen was born on July 15, 1959 to parents Bobby F. McCoy and Loretta E. Baker. She was raised and educated in Traverse City. On August 6, 1983 she married her high school sweetheart Rick Sheffer and together they celebrated 36 years of marriage and their two children Sarah and Buddy.

Jenny had a lifelong passion for horses and animals, she tended to them and her garden at the family's West View Farm. From the farm, Jen enjoyed many sunsets, rainbows, and hosting holiday parties and get-togethers. Further, she enjoyed traveling to Arizona to visit friends, girls' weekends, and international trips to London, Dominican Republic, and Mexico. Above all, Jen will be remembered for her generosity, attention to detail, hard-working spirit, and commitment to her family.

She is forever loved by her husband Rick, daughter Sarah and son Buddy, and mother Loretta E. Baker.

Jenny is preceded in death by her father Bobby F. McCoy.

A memorial service for Jen will take place on Thursday, January 2, 2020 at the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home at 3 p.m. Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. until the time of service. Pastor Chris Lane will officiate. The celebration will continue at Brady's Bar following the services at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please make a gift in Jen's name to Little Horses Big Smiles (P.O. Box 335, Fremont, MI 49412).

The family would like to extend their sincere thanks and appreciation to the doctors and

hospice staff that cared for Jen.

Jenny and her family are in the care of the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Events

JAN **Visitation** 02:00PM - 03:00PM

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Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home
305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

JAN **Memorial Service** 03:00PM

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Comments



“ We met Jenny 50 years ago when we moved to Traverse City....she became a best friend to our daughter Kathy and remained so. We attended her wedding, 25th anniversary celebration and was at a triple baby shower for her, our daughters Kathy and Kim who were all due within a couple months of each other. I cherish the Grand Rapids shopping trips we did that included a few to many of us and was so much fun. That was before Traverse City became the shopping center of Northwest Michigan. Always sweet and very respectful, we were privileged to spend time with her on and off over the years. The most recent was last summer when we met her at Big Boy Restaurant and finished our meal with the traditional hot fudge ice cream cake with extra hot fudge (and money was no object, put it on heavy). Our hearts and prayers go out to her family. A beautiful angel called back home.

Garry and Carlene Lancewicz

Garry and Carlene Lancewicz - January 01 at 04:46 PM



“ Tammy Broome lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynne Sheffer



Tammy Broome - December 31, 2019 at 08:01 PM



“ Shari Poulisse lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynne Sheffer



Shari Poulisse - December 31, 2019 at 04:17 PM



“ Hugs and condolences to the rest of my cousins especially Rick and the kids. Halloween will be different without Gypsy Jenny. May you be at peace sweet lady.



Carmin Farmer - December 31, 2019 at 10:24 AM



“ Patty Holczman lit a candle in memory of Jennifer Lynne Sheffer



Patty Holczman - December 31, 2019 at 09:04 AM



“ So very sorry to hear of your loss. So many good memories of Jen .May God wrap his arms around you ALL. Love you cuz.

Chris (Gauthier) Kimmel - December 31, 2019 at 08:26 PM



“ My deepest condolences to Jen's family and friends. I will forever cherish the few hours we were honored to spend with her last Sunday spreading horsey cheer to someone in need. Prayers for her family and friends during this very difficult time.



Ronica Froese - December 31, 2019 at 07:34 AM



“ I will always remember Jen as a beautiful person- inside and out. I send my deepest condolences to her family who love her very much. I hope it is an epic celebration of her life and I wish we could be there to pay our respects. She will live on perfectly in our memories!



“ Jenny was the cousin I was closest to while growing up, she is 5 years older than me so I think I probably was a pest to her after the baby stage wore off. I was told I followed her around all of the time, she would do her best to loose me. She would run in the back door of gramma Fashbaughs house, passed her bicycle, and run out the front before I could keep up. She would run around outside the house and jump on her bike and take off. Gramma told me I always noticed "Jenny's bicycle ran away".

Another memory was when she was living with gramma at the lake and she was learning to drive. Grampa had an old dodge pick up with a wood bed used as a utility vehicle around the resort. The interesting thing was the fact that it had a "3 on the tree" manual shift and no breaks. Down shifting to low and finding a tree to stop against was the only way to stop in a hurry, other than that she would shut the key off and the engine would eventually stop it.

The whole time growing up she loved horses, she drew horses, painted horses and visited Alex Brakel's white horse, Silver, and their black pony they called a politically incorrect name by even that era's standards, when ever she could. She taught me how to use a wood burner hobby tool to you guessed it, make pictures of horses on chunks of scrap plywood grampa had in the dance hall.

I know I will miss her a lot even though we didnt get to see each other much in later years. When we were little, she was the big sister i never had.

David Fashbaugh - December 30, 2019 at 09:28 PM



“ The pain is gone, rest in his arms my friend.



Wally Schroeder - December 30, 2019 at 04:33 PM