



Sharon A. Byers

March 31, 1943 - April 22, 2025

Sharon A. Byers, age 82, of Rensselaer, IN, passed away on April 22, 2025. She was born on March 31, 1943, in Valparaiso, IN, to the late Kenneth and Pauline (Ketterman) Nichols.

Sharon graduated from Valparaiso High School and went on to earn her nursing degree from Valparaiso University. She devoted her career to caring for others, working as a nurse with Visiting Nurses and later at Kimberly-Clark Corporation in Merrillville, IN. She was a woman of deep compassion and quiet strength, finding joy in her faith and attending the Baptist Church.

Sharon was married four times throughout her life—first to Jim Evans, followed by Paul Hathaway and Don Evanseck, both of whom passed in 1995, and later to Homer Byers, who preceded her in death in 2004.

In retirement, Sharon enjoyed the simple pleasures of life. She was an avid gardener who took great pride in her flowers, a talented painter and artist, and a lover of books. She had a deep appreciation for history and geography and was always eager to learn.

She is survived by her children, Karina Hathaway of Rensselaer, IN, and Michael Hathaway of Ohio; her beloved granddaughter, Lindsey Henderson; and her siblings, Sandy Carlson of Massachusetts, Sheryl Morris of Idaho,

and Steve Nichols of Valparaiso, IN. She was preceded in death by her parents and all of her husbands.

In accordance with her wishes, no services will be held at this time. Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer has been entrusted with her cremation arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made in Sharon's memory to Birthright of Rensselaer.