



Sharon Gallup

September 16, 1950 - March 11, 2026

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Our beloved sister, aunt, friend, and faithful disciple, Sharon Gallup, passed away peacefully in her sleep on March 11, 2026, after a short but courageous battle with Alzheimer's - dementia.

Born September 16, 1950, in Salt Lake City, Utah, to John Marlin (Jack) Gallup and Virginia Simmons Gallup, Sharon was the second of four children. She grew up primarily in Eugene, Oregon. From an early age, she was gifted with a profound love of music, which became a lifelong channel for sharing spiritual peace and testifying of Jesus Christ.

A tragic canoeing accident that claimed the life of her teenage brother David, deepened her reliance on music and poetry. Over the years, she wrote hundreds of comforting poems that blessed her family and friends.

With strong patriotic convictions and love for American history and the Constitution, Sharon served honorably in the U.S. Air Force during wartime. She later excelled as a top-producing sales manager in print advertising, traveling the West Coast – often with her beloved, ultra-pampered dogs and cats in tow. Chances are that these anxious pets would have been first-in-line to greet Sharon on the other side of the veil.

Though she married and divorced twice and had no children of her own, Sharon poured her heart into her nieces, nephews, and countless ward members. She was especially devoted as her mother Virginia's full-time

companion and caregiver in later years, a sacrifice her siblings will forever cherish.

Sharon's outgoing, energetic personality won lifelong friends wherever she lived, particularly in St. George, her "Heaven on Earth." Together with her mother, she blessed wards in South Jordan, Riverton, and St. George through music – singing, directing choirs, writing sonnets and Christmas programs, and playing piano and organ to share testimonies of Christ.

After a season away from the gospel path, Sharon returned with renewed fervor. In her later years, she developed a deep thirst for Church history and the Book of Mormon, frequently sharing the hope, love, peace, and forgiveness found in Jesus Christ. As she wrote: "I'm not a person to sit on the sidelines. I stand up for what I believe, period! ... I know who I want to serve." She found great joy serving as a Relief Society instructor as well as a Sunday School teacher to the youth in St. George. Sharon frequently opened her heart and home by providing home-cooked meals, her famous pies and peach cobbler and cherished "Movie Nights" with the youth, featuring black-and-white films from her vast DVD collection. These friendships and fond memories gave Sharon great joy and sustained her in her final days.

Sharon is survived by her brothers Mark (Sylvie) Gallup (currently serving a mission in Honduras) and Paul (Nancy) Gallup, along with beloved nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, and grand-nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother David.

Family and friends are invited to a viewing from 12:00 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., followed by funeral services at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2026, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 550 E. 700 So., St. George, UT. Interment will follow at Tonaquint Cemetery, 1777 So. Dixie Drive, St. George, UT.

The family extends heartfelt thanks to the compassionate teams at The Meadows, The Abbingdon, and the Southern Utah Veterans Home, as well as to family, friends, and neighbors for their transportation, support, and love during Sharon's final years.

Sharon's friendly phone calls, contagious smile, and unwavering testimony will be deeply missed. "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" – reunited in the loving embrace of our Savior, Jesus Christ and eternal families.

Live streaming services will be available at the following link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOSzceAPMotvDnfg_FW6ZPg/live

Services are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 435-986-9100.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 27. 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM (MT)

St. George LDS Church
520 East 700 South
Saint George, UT 84770

Funeral Service

MAR 27. 1:00 PM (MT)

St. George LDS Church
520 East 700 South
Saint George, UT 84770

Tribute Wall



“ *Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah created a Live Streaming Funeral Service in memory of Sharon Gallup*



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - March 23 at 06:37 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Funeral Audio Recording*



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - March 30 at 11:05 AM

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“ Mary Ann and I became better acquainted with Sharon and her delightful Mother as we were tasked to rebuild the damaged home across from theirs by a runaway truck which also landed on their driveway! Then as we witnessed the loving musical talent she and her mother rendered to the Branch at Meadows and elsewhere! They brought comfort and joy to all who were blessed to partake of their music and helping the congregation sing along. On one occasion a funeral was being held for the untimely death of a young lady in our ward. For whatever reason a significant part of the deceased family and the deceased beloved dog had not arrived! Virginia was playing the long prelude for the funeral, during and at the end! My heart went out to her at her age enduring the extended organ playing and yet she never stopped. The two of them, mother and daughter were a delight to know and enjoy their music. I rode with Heidi Page when she went to the Veteran's Hospital to take Sharon for a ride. I was also aware of the youth who loved to go to her home for a enjoyable evening! She will be missed but always remembered for she and her dear mother's sharing of their beautiful music and friendly Spirits. May the Lord Bless and Comfort her family and dear friends. Bob Gilliland

Robert "Bob" Gilliland - March 28 at 05:55 PM

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“ The Grannies purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Sharon Gallup.



The Grannies - March 24 at 11:57 PM

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“ *Sharon Gallup – was a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ and a cherished friend to so many. Her contagious smile, quick wit and energy will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Thank you for being one of the best bosses anyone could hope for in the advertising industry. Your friendship of 30+ years to our family will never be forgotten. Rest in peace, until we meet again. Robert & Tamara Mecham*

Robert Mecham - March 23 at 07:51 PM