



Sharon Ray Andretta

November 22, 1961 - May 21, 2023

Sharon Ray Andretta, 61, of Alpharetta, Georgia died peacefully in hospice care on May 21, 2023.

Sharon was born November 22, 1961 in Cookeville, TN as the middle of three daughters. Sharon spent her childhood in Nashville, TN until her family moved to Lilburn, GA in 1973. Sharon graduated from Parkview High School in 1979. She then went on to Georgia State University where she was an active member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

Sharon's love of people, dedication and compassion helped her become very successful in her career. She worked in benefits and Human Resources across Atlanta for almost 40 years including positions at Dun & Bradstreet, Coca-Cola, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and Georgia Tech. For the last 11 years she worked at Kaiser Permanente/The Southeast Permanente Medical Group, most recently as the Director of Human Resources.

From 1986 to 1996 Sharon was proud to welcome five nieces and nephews into the world. She loved them like her own kids and always made them believe they were the best thing to happen to her. She encouraged them through hard times and celebrated their victories. Sharon was the fun aunt, always up for doing something to make memories.

On a blind date in September 2014 Sharon and Roger first met and quickly fell

in love. They loved to watch football and baseball, host meals with their family and go on tropical vacations. On October 2, 2021 they said “I do”. Sharon and Roger threw the best party of the decade with a room full of love and laughter surrounded by their closest friends and family to celebrate their marriage. Roger brought a wonderful family into Sharon’s life including his parents, sisters and four kids she would call her “bonus kids”.

In her free time, Sharon loved spending time with her nieces, nephews and bonus kids. She greatly enjoyed the friendships she made playing tennis with Ruby Forest, volunteering at The Vine church and the fellowship with her book club group. Sharon was an avid Georgia Bulldog fan and attended nearly all home football games since the 1990s. For many years Sharon and Roger went every Saturday to a Georgia or Auburn game.

She was a planner and well-organized in everything at work and home. Sharon was known for remembering important dates and always sending thoughtful notes or texts to the people she cared about. Sharon was a loyal, trusted friend whose wit and wisdom impacted many lives. She maintained close friendships with a circle of lifelong friends, especially the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta. When she found out she had cancer she was most concerned about taking care of everyone else. She courageously fought non-small cell lung cancer for three months.

Giving thanks for Sharon’s life are surviving members of her family; her husband Roger, mother Lyla Fay Clark Ray, sisters Deb Clinard (Mark) and Kim Dills (Chad), nieces Leigh Cummings (Craig), Kati Dills, Maggie Clinard, nephews Jake Dills (Katie) and Sam Clinard, bonus kids Joseph, Julia, Sophia and Francesca Andretta, father and mother in law CJ and Joy Andretta, sisters in law Nancy Riley (Peter Martin) and Barbara Andretta Worth (son Trey), great niece Vivien Cummings, great nephews Walt Cummings, Colton Dills and Collin Dills, and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and loving friends.

Her father, Donald Lee Ray, greeted her in heaven for her father-daughter dance just 20 months after her wedding.

Visitation will be held Thursday, June 1 at 7 PM at Northside Chapel (12050 Crabapple Rd, Roswell, GA 30075). A celebration of life officiated by Rev. David Walters will be held on Friday, June 2 at 11 AM at Alpharetta First United Methodist Church (69 N Main St, Alpharetta, GA 30009). A reception will be held at the church following the service. Arrangements provided by Northside Chapel Funeral Directors in Roswell, Georgia.

In remembrance of Sharon's life, the family asks that any charitable donations be made to the Winship Cancer Institute, American Cancer Society or the hospice care center of your choice. (See below)

The family sends immense gratitude to the doctors, nurses and hospice care team who helped Sharon during her final phase of life, especially the nurses at Emory St. Joseph's Hospital, staff at AccentCare Hospice- North Georgia and the Kaiser family of physicians.

Charitable donation details:

Emory's Winship Cancer Institute, Radiation Oncology Fund, Office of Gift Accounting, 1762 Clifton Road NE, Suite 2400, Atlanta GA 30322

Or online donations can be made at <https://together.emory.edu/give?q=radiation%20oncology> in memory of Sharon Andretta.

American Cancer Society- Visit <https://donate.cancer.org/> select donation and click on "I want to dedicate my donation" in memory of Sharon Andretta.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Memorial Service

JUN 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Alpharetta First United Methodist Church
69 North Main Street
Alpharetta, GA

Tribute Wall



“ Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Northside Chapel - June 01, 2023 at 09:16 AM

FR

Miss you. Mom

Fay Ray - February 02, 2025 at 12:57 PM

PM

“ Pam M. sent a virtual gift in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Pam M. - June 01, 2023 at 10:14 AM

PM

“ Pam M. lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Pam M. - June 01, 2023 at 10:10 AM

JT

“ Julie Trackman lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Julie Trackman - May 31, 2023 at 10:21 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Ray Andretta.



May 31, 2023 at 10:01 PM

JG

“ Sending love, hugs and prayers of peace and comfort to Sharons family and all who knew her. Sharon, you will certainly be missed.



Janita Green - May 31, 2023 at 06:49 PM

SR

“ Sandy Richaard lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Sandy Richaard - May 31, 2023 at 05:26 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Ray Andretta.*



May 31, 2023 at 03:57 PM



“ *Sharon, It has been a pleasure working with you over the years. You always had a smile and kind word for me. I remember seeing the sheer joy in your eyes as you told me about your wedding. Prayers to Roger and your entire family. All the memories you created with them will have to be enough to carry them through this difficult time. You will be deeply missed.*

Nora S - May 31, 2023 at 07:01 AM



“ *Sharon, so glad we met right before your wedding. I will always remember how happy you were. For that, I am so grateful. Thank you for being so sweet and helping me through a family crisis. I will never forget that. Rest in peace. I will miss you. Until we meet again. Prayers to the Ray's and Andretti's.*



Stacey R Rodriguez' - May 30, 2023 at 07:48 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Ray Andretta.*



May 30, 2023 at 07:42 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Sharon Ray Andretta.*



May 30, 2023 at 03:35 PM



“ *Mike Capogrossi lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Mike Capogrossi - May 29, 2023 at 07:44 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Sharon Ray Andretta.*



May 28, 2023 at 02:48 PM

LB

“ Dear Sharon, I have and will always cherish the fun talks and dinners we had while working together at Coke. You were special and such a beautiful person to everyone who was fortunate to know you. My love and prayers, Linda Barkley

Linda Barkley - May 26, 2023 at 07:31 PM

DD

“ Donna Doetsch lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Donna Doetsch - May 26, 2023 at 09:00 AM

CJ

“ 1 file added to the album Tribute wall



Carmen J Andretta JR - May 25, 2023 at 03:55 PM

PJ

“ Paul Jacxsens lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Paul Jacxsens - May 25, 2023 at 08:51 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sharon Ray Andretta.*



May 24, 2023 at 08:42 PM



“ *Birgitta Piamonte lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Birgitta Piamonte - May 24, 2023 at 07:08 PM



“ *I will not forget the many interesting and fun conversations we had from how often we should be getting our hair highlighted to knowing we weren't cut out for Lean Six Sigma. Every time I listen to Darius Rucker, I'll be thinking of her. I'm so sorry to all who knew her.*

Claire Springfield - May 24, 2023 at 04:09 PM



“ *Sharon, I learned so much from you - more than I can say. You will be missed. Blessings and peace to you and to the Andretta family.*



Julia Skeen - May 24, 2023 at 03:43 PM

LA

“ *Lainey lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Lainey - May 24, 2023 at 03:28 PM

EK

“ *Our deepest sympathy to you and your family.*



Eva Kirkland - May 24, 2023 at 03:21 PM

RR

“ *Rainey Ray lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Rainey Ray - May 24, 2023 at 03:12 PM

CH

“ *Christie lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Christie - May 24, 2023 at 03:11 PM

CH

*I will miss you so much Sharon! We had so many good times at work and outside of work. I loved laughing with you! So many prayers and hugs to your family.
Go DAWGS!*

Christie - May 24, 2023 at 04:55 PM

PL

“ *Pam Ruda Lemon lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Pam ruda lemon - May 24, 2023 at 02:48 PM

PL

“ *Pam Ruda Lemo lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Pam ruda lemo - May 24, 2023 at 02:47 PM

ES

“ *Ellen Steed lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Ellen Steed - May 24, 2023 at 02:35 PM

ES

I'll always remember your patience and sense of humor. TSPMG and KPGA will remember you always.

Ellen Steed - May 24, 2023 at 02:40 PM

JE

“ Joy Eppes-Nails lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Joy Eppes-Nails - May 24, 2023 at 02:16 PM

AM

“ Sharon, I will miss you so much. I loved that we shared our love for cats and beach reads and the joys of being a bonus mom.



Amy - May 24, 2023 at 01:34 PM

LP

“ Leslie Pugh lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Leslie Pugh - May 24, 2023 at 12:53 PM

LW

“ Rest in peace, my sweet friend. I will miss you, but I am a better person to have had you in my life. ❤️



Laurie Wehunt - May 24, 2023 at 12:11 PM

CV

“ *Chrissy VanErkelens lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Chrissy VanErkelens - May 24, 2023 at 11:23 AM

LT

“ *Laurie T. lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Laurie T. - May 24, 2023 at 10:58 AM

AJ

“ *Alan Johnson lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Alan Johnson - May 24, 2023 at 10:48 AM

DB

“ *Detrie Bell lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Detrie Bell - May 24, 2023 at 10:08 AM

CJ

“ Christopher Jones lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Christopher Jones - May 24, 2023 at 10:07 AM

RP

“ Rhunette Pledger lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Rhunette Pledger - May 24, 2023 at 09:10 AM

PV

“ Pamela Vick-Bope lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Pamela Vick-Bope - May 24, 2023 at 08:58 AM

MK

“ Sharon, you were a special lady and i enjoyed working with you through the years. You have done many great things and we will miss you terribly. I hope you plan to watch our Bulldogs play while hanging out with Vince this season- that thought makes me smile. Til we meet again my friend- Michelle K.



Michelle K - May 24, 2023 at 08:55 AM

WB

“ Wendy Brown-Sanders lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Wendy Brown-Sanders - May 24, 2023 at 08:43 AM



“ You helped save my life. I will never forget you.



Pamella Charles-Pryce - May 24, 2023 at 08:39 AM

LW



Laurie Wehunt - May 24, 2023 at 12:12 PM

JE

“ Jeanette Espinoza lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Jeanette Espinoza - May 24, 2023 at 08:34 AM

LS

“ Laurie Shield lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



laurie shield - May 24, 2023 at 07:26 AM

LS

*I will forever cherish our friendship. One of my favorite memories was when I moved back to Atlanta and had just closed on my house in Roswell. You brought 2 chairs, yourself and I bottle of wine. We sat in my empty new house and talked, laughed and drank that wine. Fly high my angel friend. I hope you got that first heavenly dance with your Dad. Love you forever and until we meet again, rest in peace pain free!
Laurie*

laurie shield - May 28, 2023 at 04:53 PM

BD

“ Bridgette Davis-Benton lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Bridgette Davis-Benton - May 23, 2023 at 10:16 PM

TD

“ Tera Davis lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta



Tera Davis - May 23, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sharon Ray Andretta.*



May 23, 2023 at 08:26 PM



“ *Mary Kitchens lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Mary Kitchens - May 23, 2023 at 07:22 PM



“ *Tyra Bates lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Tyra Bates - May 23, 2023 at 06:25 PM



“ *Nina Day lit a candle in memory of Sharon Ray Andretta*



Nina Day - May 23, 2023 at 06:19 PM