Warning

By Jenny Joseph

When I am an old woman I shall wear purple with a red hat which doesn't go, and doesn't suit me. And I shall spend my pension on brandy and summer gloves and satin sandals.

and say we've no money for butter.

I shall sit down on the pavement when I'm tired and gobble up samples in shops and press alarm bells and run my stick along the public railings and make up for the sobriety of my youth. I shall go out in my slippers in the rain and pick the flowers in other people's gardens and learn to spit.

You can wear terrible shirts and grow more fat and eat three pounds of sausages at a go or only bread and a pickle for a week and hoard pens and pencils and beermats and things in boxes. But now we must have clothes that keep us dry and pay our rent and not swear in the street and set a good example for the children. We will have friends to dinner and read the papers.

But maybe I ought to practise a little now?

So people who know me are not too
shocked and surprised when suddenly

I am old and start to wear purple.

In Loving Memory of Sharon (Anderson) Luntsford Born to Selma (Shelvik) and Leonard Anderson August 18, 1940 ~ Watford City, North Dakota **Peacefully Passed Away** February 24, 2025 ~ Pinedale, Wyoming **Funeral Services** Saturday, March 8, 2025 at 11:00 am Fulkerson Stevenson Memorial Chapel Watford City, North Dakota Officiating **Rob Favorite** Casketbearers Scott Aldridge Ron Jore Casey Jore Michael McGillivery Ryan Jore Dean Anderson **Final Resting Place North Fork Trinity Cemetery** Watford City, North Dakota Arrangements By Fulkerson Stevenson Funeral Home Watford City, North Dakota



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Sharon Lorene (Anderson) Luntsford was born August 18, 1940, to Leonard and Selma (Shelvik) Anderson. She was delivered at home by a Norwegian midwife who exclaimed "It's a fin noni.", (loose translation, a fine little girl), and the nickname Noni stuck.

Sharon grew up on the family ranch east of Watford City, ND. She graduated from Watford City High School in 1958 and attended college in Jamestown, ND.

Sharon married David Aldridge in 1959. They had one son together, David Scott Aldridge. They later divorced.

In 1970 Sharon worked in the advertising department at KUMV TV in Williston, ND. There she designed and developed advertising artwork for the station. This led her to a job at a TV station in Helena, MT where she moved to with her son Scott in 1973.

While working in Helena, she met Bob Luntsford and they married in March of 1976. Shortly after, she became a full-time professional artist. She worked in many mediums but especially loved oil painting.

Sharon traveled the art circuit in Montana, Wyoming and Idaho for the next several years. In 1984, she and her husband Bob moved to Sun Valley, ID. It was at this time she became involved with the Episcopal Church and

became a Deacon. She also worked diligently applying for grants and funding and founded Silver Creek Community Services, a nonprofit organization that provided free food and clothing to the local community of Carey, ID for people in need.

Following a divorce, in 2001 Sharon moved to Alexander, ND much to the delight of her sister, brother, nieces and nephews. This is when the younger family members learned and witnessed Aunt Sharon's "evil eye", which was a steely-eyed glare that could scold you without saying a word. If it were possible to harness the power of that glare, we could have solved world crime.

While living in Alexander, she became an ordained Episcopal priest. Soon after, she helped fill Pulpit Supply at the St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Cartwright, ND.



In 2013, Sharon moved to Rock Springs, WY with her son Scott then later to Pinedale, WY. There in Pinedale, she spent many joyful moments with her son Scott and daughter-in-law Jess, her extended family and newfound friends. Better late than never, Sharon realized a long time dream and opened an art studio and gallery where she painted and displayed her work.

Sharon was an artist her entire life. In the early 1960's she was a founding member of the Prairie Painters Art

Club in Williston, ND. In 1980, she helped found the Rocky Mountain Artist League in Montana. One of her greatest accomplishments was being juried into the C.M. Russel Art Auction in Great Falls, MT. She showed at many art exhibitions and her work is in numerous private collections throughout the U.S.

When Sharon saw a scene that she liked, perhaps a beautiful sky or landscape, she would become quiet and study it, creating the painting in her head to later flesh out on canvas. Some of our family's happiest memories were spent drawing and painting with Sharon in her studio or out in nature. She was also an avid photographer, organic gardener, bread baker and accomplished seamstress. She loved animals and always had a cat with her wherever she lived.

She made the room she was in brighter and the world she was in happier for those near her. She emitted her own sunshine that warmed our hearts and fed our souls.

Sharon was called home on February 24th in Pinedale, WY.

She is survived by her son Scott Aldridge (Jessica and step-grandson Jayden), brother Ronald Jore (Nina), sister Seleste Ferreira (John) and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents Selma Jore and stepfather Art Jore, father Leonard Anderson and sister Maureen Frazee.



