



Sherri Lynn Swenson

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Sherri Lynn Swenson passed away at her home in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware on May 12, 2016 after a valiant fight against cancer. She was born on August 3, 1953 in Columbus, Ohio, daughter of Halcyon Swenson of Florida and the late Robert Swenson.

Sherri graduated from Worthington High School, The Ohio State, and the University of Pittsburgh with a MA in Physical Therapy. She worked as a Rehabilitation Director in Prince William County Hospital System in Virginia for 22 years, and she also worked as a Physical Therapist at Beebe Hospital in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware until 2015. Sherri and Jane Klein were co-owners of In2Soles shoe store in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware since 2006.

On August 3, 2013, Sherri married Jane Klein in a sunrise ceremony in Rehoboth Beach. Sherri and Jane lived in Rehoboth Beach with their two dogs and two cats and are blessed with a multitude of friends.

Sherri loved the outdoors, was an avid biker and lived an active healthy life that inspired her friends and family. Her appreciation for animals and her concern for the environment were reflected in her plants, her birds, and her walks on the beach as well as in her warm and welcoming home. She cared for people and provided support and assistance to anyone she met. She was a giving person who respected all living things, and she truly lived her philosophy and set a beautiful example for all who knew her. She will be dearly missed.

In addition to her mother, Sherri is survived by her wife, Jane Klein; two brothers, Robert Craig Swenson of Florida and Barry Swenson of California; two nephews, Rob Swenson of California and Eric Swenson of California; three stepsons, Trevor Klein of Kentucky, Gavin Klein of Texas, and Evan Klein of California; and four grandchildren, Morgan, Dylan, Ayla, and Wyatt Klein.

Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, July 6, 2016, at 6:00 PM at Epworth United Methodist Church, 19285 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach, DE followed by a reception.



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Memorials contributions may be made to the Delaware Hospice, 100 Patriots Way, Milford, Delaware, 19963.

Please sign Sherri's guestbook located on this site.




Events


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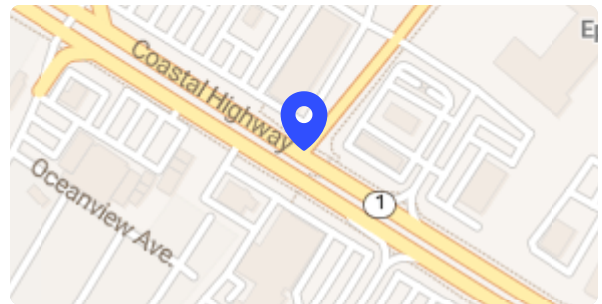
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Memorial Service

 **Wednesday**, July 6, 2016

 6:00 PM ET

 **Epworth United Methodist Church**
19825 Holland Glade Road, Rehoboth Beach DE





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Linda Hachat posted:

I'm so sad to hear this news. Sherri was an incredible boss and friend. As a young therapist she taught me so much about respectful care for my patients. Im so grateful for the time I knew her.

July 17 at 3:15 AM



Phyllis Ross posted:

I am not sure what made me think of Sherri today. I am so saddened to learn of her passing. Sherri gave me my first job as a new therapist at Prince William Health Systems. I learned so much from her the 5 years we worked together. She gave me the most special pin when I left the area. She will forever be remembered in my heart as a terrific person. My condolences to the family. Phyllis Ross

July 12 at 1:33 PM



Duane Swenson's Family And Sister sent a Gift of Grace Bouquet to the Swenson family.



July 5 at 5:14 PM



Diane Turchetta And Susan Penney sent a Fairest of All to the Swenson family.



July 4 at 5:16 AM



Susan Penney posted:

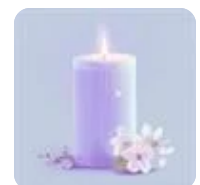
Sherry was a beautiful soul and touched so many lives. Jane, she is greatly missed and you are in our thoughts and prayers. Diane Turchetta and Susan Penney

July 4 at 3:58 AM



Mary Anne Orcutt lit a candle in honor of Sherri.

So sorry to hear of Sherry's death. I went to high school with her, and will always remember her gentle nature and her high energy. Mary Anne Orcutt



June 28 at 2:23 PM



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JC

Jeri (Hamblin) & Mike Clapham sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Swenson family.

June 28 at 2:11 PM



KP

Kozie Phibbs posted:

I worked with Sherri at PWH for many years, as well. I'll always remember how caring she was for her patients and her fellow colleagues. She always had a smile on her face and that never went unnoticed. She brightened up my day more than once when she was passing by my office or just seeing me at a meeting. God Bless you Sherri!Kozie

June 28 at 11:42 AM

JC

Jeri Hamblin Clapham shared an album called **New Album Name**.

June 28 at 11:26 AM



MA

Marabeth Allen posted:

I am deeply saddened by Sherri Swenson's passing. For many years, I worked across the hall from Sherri in the Nursing Office @ PWH. We had many laughs in our daily communications. She was a very, very special person, who will be greatly missed. My sympathies to her family and friends. Marabeth Allen

June 28 at 9:18 AM

EB

Elizabeth Baker posted:

So sorry to hear of Sherri's passing. We went to high school together and we're both into sports. After many years, I ran into Sherri at Sisterfire in Takoma Park, MD and found we had something else in common. My sincere condolences to Jane and the rest of the Swenson family.

June 28 at 7:37 AM



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DC

Deb Fenninger-Coggin posted:

I am so sorry to hear of Sherri's death. Jane, you are in my thoughts and prayers. I have no words so I will send love and a big hug. Peace, Deb Fenninger-Coggin

June 27 at 5:38 PM

GL

Gerald Luczka posted:

Working with you at Prince William Hospital during the 22 years was a wonderful experience. You taught me so much while going through PT. I will always remember the good times. It was a privilege to be associated with a true professional. God Bless You, Jerry Luczka Former VP

June 27 at 2:04 AM

JB

Jody Barbarulo posted:

So proud to call Sherri coworker at Beebe Healthcare! Your energy and upbeat personality will be missed. Jane, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

June 25 at 2:03 PM

MI

Michele posted:

Sherri, you are missed very much at Beebe Healthcare. It was always a pleasure to see you come in to the Rehab dept. ready to put on your PT hat and serve your patients so well. Your humor was dry and witty, your therapy skills were sharp and skilled. A great team member and individual, you are missed.

June 22 at 4:23 PM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Swenson family.



June 8 at 3:07 AM



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SW

Skip Weaver lit a candle in honor of Sherri.

Deepest sympathies to Jane and Sherri's family. She was a such a wonderful person and we will dearly miss her. Love, Linda and Skip Weaver

June 8 at 2:14 AM



AD

Anne D. posted:

She made the 8 th purchase a small town lifetime memory.

May 31 at 7:39 AM

JB

Jane Bennett-Bailey posted:

Jane, we know there are no words that we can say to make this better. Just know our thoughts and prayers are with you. We loved coming by and seeing you and Sherrie at the shoe store - it was the highlight of our visit to the beach! We send our love to you!Love, Jane & Jeanne

May 29 at 12:15 PM

AN

Annalexis posted:

She was a wonderful director and friend. So kind to me when I came onboard the PWH team. Things were never the same when she left. I loved her sense of humor and her love of animals. She was delighted when I snuck my months old dog Spencer into the hospital to meet the boss. Prayers to you Jane and cherish those memories. I sure will. Love, Ann Alexis

May 23 at 8:26 AM

CB

Catherine Burghardt posted:

Dear Jane, I know mere words cannot reflect the void and loss you must feel. Sherri was a great therapist and person and I was blessed to know her. Rest in peace, Sherri...Cathy Burghardt, PT, DPT, MA, Cert.MDT

May 21 at 3:08 PM



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VA

Valerie posted:

Sherri was a loving genuine person. I was honored to work with her for many years at Prince William Hospital. I am sad for all of us to lose such a friend but joyful for her that she is no longer in pain and able to move and be free again. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Valerie Eberle

May 20 at 4:03 PM

CJ

Cathy Benson & Susan Jimenez posted:

Susan and I were saddened to hear the news about Sherri. We are deeply sorry for the loss of this fine and accomplished woman and friend. Our hearts are with Jane and her dear mother and brothers, as well as her extended family and many friends. As the Apostle Paul said, "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord". Praying for comfort, grace, and peace this day.

May 19 at 3:34 AM

CR

Claudia Roland lit a candle in honor of Sherri.

Jane and Family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Sherri was a wonderful and loved woman. She was the best boss I ever had and I know a lot of us felt that way. I looked forward to going to work everyday as we were all a team. She was family oriented and was ready to pitch in if someone had a child sick or a family emergency. Her response was always "go, I'll take your patient load, don't worry." She was the best Physical Therapist I know, she had such a wealth of knowledge and shared it freely and humbly. Since I worked late 2 nights by myself, there were many times a patient didn't show or I finished early and she and I would sit in her office and talk about life, goals and work. She helped me through a especially hard time at one point in my life. Her wisdom and sharing her own story was a blessing. Truly a wonderful person and I was blessed to have known her. God truly had his hand on her life. May she rest in peace and comfort be brought to her wife and family at this time. Claudia Roland



May 18 at 3:20 PM

KO

Kathy Oravetz posted:

I am truly thankful to have known Sherri and to have worked under her leadership. She always put the patient first and always supported her staff in more ways than I will ever know. She was a very special lady. Kathy Oravetz

May 18 at 2:35 PM



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NJ

Noel Jablonski posted:

Jane, Mrs. Swenson, and family, my deepest sympathy. I am so very sorry and saddened.Noel

May 18 at 9:13 AM

SW

Steve Wasilewski posted:

Sherri, you will be missed. You were the first rehab supervisor for many of us, including me. You got us all started down good, productive paths. Thank you for your friendship, professionalism and support. MAJ Steve Wasilewski, Director, OT Clinic, Fort Benning, GA

May 18 at 6:33 AM

KM

Kathy Mobley posted:

I met Sherri at PWH. I always admired the way she would come on the unit and work along with her staff. Always had a smile and kind word. She was an awesome leader and teacher. She will be missed.

May 17 at 5:44 PM

MC

Marian Critchley posted:

She was the best Boss anyone could ever have.Also a true friend. She made us one big family for a lot of years. No more pain my friend.RIP. Marian

May 17 at 5:28 PM



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Lynn Ferguson-Kerns posted:

I just can't believe my mentor, my friend, my hero, my Sherri, is gone from this earth. She is now my angel. She was, by far, the best physical therapist. When I was a student, I would watch how she worked with her patients. She was amazing, and through watching her work, I learned what a physical therapist should be and have aspired my entire career, to be half the physical therapist she was. When she hired me, I was blessed to not only learn even more from her than I already had, but to work with such an admirable individual. Her knowledge was far beyond her years. You know, the human brain can only hold so much information, yet she somehow managed to know everything and impart her wisdom upon me. She had the patience of a saint. Sherri was an amazing boss. She knew how important family was, and she spent countless hours helping each of her employees, at one point in time, through one family crises or another. She loved each and every one of her employees so much, that you could literally see it radiate from her being through her words and actions. Sherri had a desirable thirst for life. She manifested positivity and optimism. She was the type of individual who would drop anything and everything to help someone in need. Above all, she loved her wife, Jane. I am going to miss receiving the most heart felt birthday cards in the mail. I MISS YOU ALREADY. REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND...MY HERO...WITH LOVE,LYNN

May 17 at 1:59 PM



Brenda Butterfield And Rosanne Smith lit a candle in honor of Sherri.



May 17 at 1:44 PM



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CM

Cathy Miller posted:

It was such a pleasure to get to know Sherri and work with her at Annaburg Manor. She always had a smile for everyone. Such a joy. She touched many lives and helped many people, both young and old with her caring profession. My thoughts and prayers are with you Jane and family. GOD bless you.

May 17 at 12:51 PM

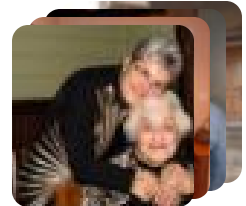
JC

Jeri Hamblin Clapham June 28 at 11:22 AM

I am so sorry to hear of Sherri's passing. She was my best friend in elementary school. We had so many adventures together. We played outside, climbed trees, took dancing together, were in Camp Fire girls together, went to summer camp together, had many times at each other's houses. She taught me how to make coolaid and to play tennis. We were on the swim team together (she was a star and I was not but she always encouraged me). I still remember her childhood telephone number. We lost touch over the years but I have such fond memories of her and her wonderful family. My very deepest condolences and many prayers for her family.

CS

Craig Swenson shared an album called **New Album Name**.



May 16 at 9:12 PM

LK

Lynn Ferguson-Kerns lit a candle in honor of Sherri.



May 17 at 5:33 AM

JN

Jess Neville posted:

I'm so sorry to hear about this. I always enjoyed working with Sherri at the hospital. Such a nice person. Condolences to her wife, Jane, as well as the rest of her friends and family. Jess Neville

May 16 at 9:12 PM



Jeri Hamblin Clapham shared a photo to the **New Album Name** album.

June 28 at 11:26 AM



Sherri - bottom row, far left



Craig Swenson shared 5 photos to the **New Album Name** album.

May 17 at 8:00 AM



Thank you for being so special!



Craig, Barry & Sherri We miss you sis!



Sherri & Mom I love you my daughter!



Craig & Sherri I love you sis!



Sherri & Barry I love you sis!



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Sherri by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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