



## Sharon Hickey

August 5, 1932 - August 19, 2023

Sharon Ann Hickey of Toledo, age 91, died peacefully at home on Saturday, August 19, 2023. She was born in Toledo on August 5, 1932 to the late Carl and Mary (Sloan) Adamshick, the third of four children.

Sharon graduated from St. Joseph's catholic school in Maumee and from Notre Dame Academy in Toledo. She received her Bachelor's degree from Marygrove College in Detroit and her Master's degree from the University of Toledo.

Sharon married the late Gene Hickey in 1955, and they raised six children in south Toledo. She was an active member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish, serving in numerous capacities, from scout leader to CCD teacher to Eucharistic minister.

She began her career as a case-worker for the Lucas County Welfare Department, followed by decades as a social worker with the Toledo Public Schools. Following retirement she continued various volunteer work, including with the YWCA women's shelter, Meals on Wheels, as well as the quiet but consistent care of many family members, neighbors, friends and acquaintances who were sick or struggling, embodying the Lord's admonition "not to practice charity so as to be noticed by others," but "to serve others privately, and your Father, who sees everything you've done, will provide your

reward." Until her final illness she travelled extensively with family and friends, and her social life was full and varied well into her eighties.

In addition to her parents, Sharon was preceded in death by her daughter, Jeanne, in 1975, by her brothers, Rufus and Rick Adamshick, and by her granddaughter, Ellen, in 2020. She is survived by her sister, Mary Pat Anderson, by her children, Kevin (Marie) Hickey, Timothy (Laura) Hickey, Terry (Karen) Hickey, Sharon (William) Kozek, and Patrick (Susan) Hickey, by her seventeen grandchildren and six great grandchildren, and by Bob Pickard, her closest friend in recent years.

Visitation will be Friday, August 25, in the narthex of Our Lady of Perpetual Church, 2255 Central Grove Ave., Toledo, OH 43614, at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m., and burial at Calvary Cemetery.

Contributions in lieu of flowers can be made to the YWCA Domestic Violence Shelter. Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

2224 Dorr St.  
Toledo, OH 43607

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 25. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
2255 Central Grove  
Toledo, OH 43614

## Funeral Mass

AUG 25. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
2255 Central Grove  
Toledo, OH 43614

# Tribute Wall

SL

“ I am also a counselor and sharon and I shared our office sweet in Parma for several years prior to her retirement. Sharon was a kind and loving person with a huge soul. She was dedicated to faith and God. I admired her strength of character and her ability to be a continuous survivor and thriver. I have wondered for years what happened to her and one of my clients told me just to enter her name on google. I live in Apopka Florida now and am still working at counseling part time. I welcome any communication. My e-mail address is [havera100542@gmail.com](mailto:havera100542@gmail.com). My name is Susan Vigorito, LPCC

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**Susan Sora Vigorito. Lpcc** - November 17, 2023 at 07:44 PM

JS

“ Kevin, Tim, Terry, Sharon and Pat, my thoughts go out to each of you. Your mom was a wonderful lady. She was well loved, and her life well lived. I remember her kindness to me back in high school. Her smile and her laugh were contagious. I enjoyed seeing her @ work when she worked @ TPS and I was a school nurse @ Cherry Preschool. We would run into each other again when I'd be walking my dogs and she'd be relaxing on the patio @ Dale's or coming out of The Elk's with Bob. The light will seem a little less bright without her.

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**Jeanne Riddle Steiner** - August 28, 2023 at 10:06 AM

MD

“ I have so many memories of Aunt Sherry and family. From letting me babysit for the little ones to adventures at Round lake. She was a wonderful woman. Our sympathy to all. Maryann and Mick

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**Maryann Davis** - August 28, 2023 at 08:23 AM

BH

“ Kevin, Tim, Terry, Sharon, & Patrick - it has many been many years since I have seen any of you, but I often saw your mom in the past 20 years driving with Bob down River Road or when I passed her house on a walk. She always made me laugh!! One of my favorite memories is her recounting her story of digging through the bricks of your grandparents' home after it burned down about 18 years ago (I live across the street) and the Maumee Police stopping her to ask her what she was doing as she had stepped over the yellow police tape surrounding the rubble!! I know she's up in heaven now with many of the other great women of the Sloan Clancy clan. My deepest condolences. Your second cousin - our grandmothers were sisters, Bridget Brell Holt

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**Bridget Brell Holt** - August 27, 2023 at 10:13 AM

KP

“ I was blessed to know her when we were younger and I was in school with Sharon. Doubly blessed to become friends again a few years back. She will always hold a special place in my heart. She rests in paradise now. My condolences to the family.  
Kelly Wagener Pickard

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**Kelly Wagener Pickard** - August 25, 2023 at 08:55 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Sharon Hickey.



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August 24, 2023 at 02:37 PM

JA

“ Pat and Family,  
May our Lord wrap his arms around you at this time...Hugs from  
Columbus.

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**Jeff Arman** - August 23, 2023 at 09:45 AM

MB

“ So many great memories, always such as inspiration. So fierce for  
being so tiny! So fun to watch when hanging out with my Mom ,  
golfing in our golf league, purchasing the family home to living next  
door. May she rest in peace in Heaven, where she for sure is! Love  
and prayers to the family.

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**Molly McHugh Branyan** - August 23, 2023 at 09:01 AM

MC

“ So very sorry to see this, went to grade school with Jeanne and  
siblings and she was always such a wonderful woman. My prayers  
and thoughts are with the Hi key family ❤️🙏

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**mary wismer cornell** - August 22, 2023 at 05:23 PM