



## Sandra Rae Gaines

December 8, 1941 - May 12, 2024

Sandra Rae Wendt Gaines, 82, of Sherrills Ford, NC, went to be with the Lord on Sunday, May 12, 2024, Mother's Day.

She was born on December 8, 1941 in Burleigh County, North Dakota, to the late Dorlyn Wendt and Helen Klinger Wendt Zappacosta. Her father passed away when she was 5 years old and she was raised by her mother and stepfather, Frank Zappacosta. Ms. Gaines enjoyed playing Bingo and loved her kitty cats.

She is survived by her children, Lisa Donnelly, Shari Miller, Fred Freeman (Denise), Rhonda Linn, Pattie Padgett (Joe); grandchildren, Richard "Sean", Jack, Reese, Becky, Michelle, Michael, Joe, Michelle; and seven great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date in Seneca, SC.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Lung Association, 401 Hawthorne Lane, Suite 110 #298, Charlotte, NC 28204.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Gaines family. Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).



# Tribute Wall

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“ Donna McDaniels lit a candle in memory of Sandra Rae Gaines



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**Donna McDaniels** - May 18, 2024 at 09:52 AM

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“ My "other" mom, thank you for your love and support over my lifetime. To have 55 years of memories is a blessing I will never take for granted. Whenever I needed you, I always knew you were just a phone call away. I will miss you forever! I know that Grandma, Grandpa and my mom were there waiting for you with open arms. What a glorious reunion at the feet of Jesus. I will love you until we meet again "mommy". Pam



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**Pamela Greene** - May 16, 2024 at 03:48 PM