
I have fought
the good fight,
I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.
2 Timothy 4:7



*Celebrating the Life of*

# *Sharon Stadel Kitchie*

*April 13, 1950 - October 6, 2026*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & INVOCATION

PRAYER

HYMN "Amazing Grace" #779, vs. 1, 3, 5

PSALM 23 (read in unison)

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff – they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

SCRIPTURES 2 Corinthians 9:6-8
2 Timothy 4:7
John 14:1-6

MESSAGE Pastor Josh Auchenbach

SONG "On Eagle's Wings" Sherri McClellan, soloist

SHARING MEMORIES Beth Smith & the TVLC Women's Book Study
Nancy Kramer-Moyer, friend (via video)
Matthew & Daniel Kitchie, sons

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMENDATION

HYMN "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" #505, vs. 1, 2, 4

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Following the service, everyone is invited*
*to a lunch reception in Linder Fellowship Hall.*



Pastor Josh Auchenbach, officiating
Lars Andersen, organist and pianist
11:00am, Saturday, November 21, 2026
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Sharon Stadel Kitchie, 76, of Tucson, Arizona, passed away peacefully at home on October 6, 2026, following a brief illness.

Sharon was born on April 13, 1950, in Binghamton, New York, and grew up in Vestal, New York. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from SUNY Plattsburgh, a Master of Science in Nursing from the University of New Mexico (1983), and a Ph.D. in Nursing from SUNY Binghamton (2003).

Sharon devoted her career to nursing education and patient advocacy. After working in hospitals throughout New Mexico, she joined Upstate Medical University Health Science Center in Syracuse, New York, in 1988, where she served in nursing and patient education roles until her retirement in 2011. She was a contributing author to the widely used nursing textbook Nurse as Educator and taught nursing students at both undergraduate and graduate levels.

A lifelong servant to her community, Sharon was active in Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Fulton, New York, where she taught Sunday school, served as a Cub Scout leader, served on the church council, and participated in numerous outreach activities. She was also a dedicated Literacy Volunteer, helping adults learn to read and gain greater independence. In retirement, Sharon and her husband volunteered with county Search and Rescue efforts and later with Mobile Meals in Tucson.

Sharon loved reading, biking, board games, traveling, and spending time with family and friends. She and her husband, Dave, enjoyed backpacking, and in later years with their sons enjoyed family camping, and exploring the United States. Their "Last Great Adventure" brought them to Tucson in 2018. Sharon also enjoyed traveling throughout Europe, Iceland, and the United Kingdom.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years, David P. Kitchie; her son Matthew Kitchie, wife Megan (Levengood), and children Ella, Merritt, and Everlee of Royersford, Pennsylvania; and her son Daniel Kitchie, wife Maria (Buczak), and daughter Eva of Colorado Springs, Colorado. She was predeceased by her parents, Richard A. and Katherine Schad Stadel, and her brother, David Stadel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, the TVLC Household Blessings Ministry, or the TVLC Food Ministry.