

### ***Sharon F. Herron***

Sharon Herron was born in Sturgis, South Dakota on November 2, 1941 to Francis F. and Maxine A. (Peterson) Chaffee and was raised on the family ranch near Clough, SD. She attended grade school at the ranch; attending and graduating from Sturgis High School. Later on she attended Black Hills State University in Spearfish where she studied art. She became very active in the SD Stock Growers Association, was a member of the Cowbells, and, as a beauty contestant, won the title of Miss Central Meade County and Miss SD Stock Growers.

In 1966 she married James R. Ferguson of New Underwood, SD. They had Two children: Heath Ferguson and Jamie Hockenbary.

When her children were younger, she became very active in the local 4-H club and hosted numerous 4-H Horse Judging Schools. In 1974 she married Wes Herron and they ranched together until his death in 2005. Sharon always had a special love for horses.

Her love of country life, heritage and vast love of animals drew her to stay in the country. Her sense of humor, immense knowledge of horses, her (self-taught) veterinary skills, and horse breaking style were very well known and respected. Her horses won many awards from cattle cutting to roping to showmanship. Sharon was a life member of AQHBA and NRA. She was one of the original founders of the South Dakota Ranch Quarter Horse Breeders Association.

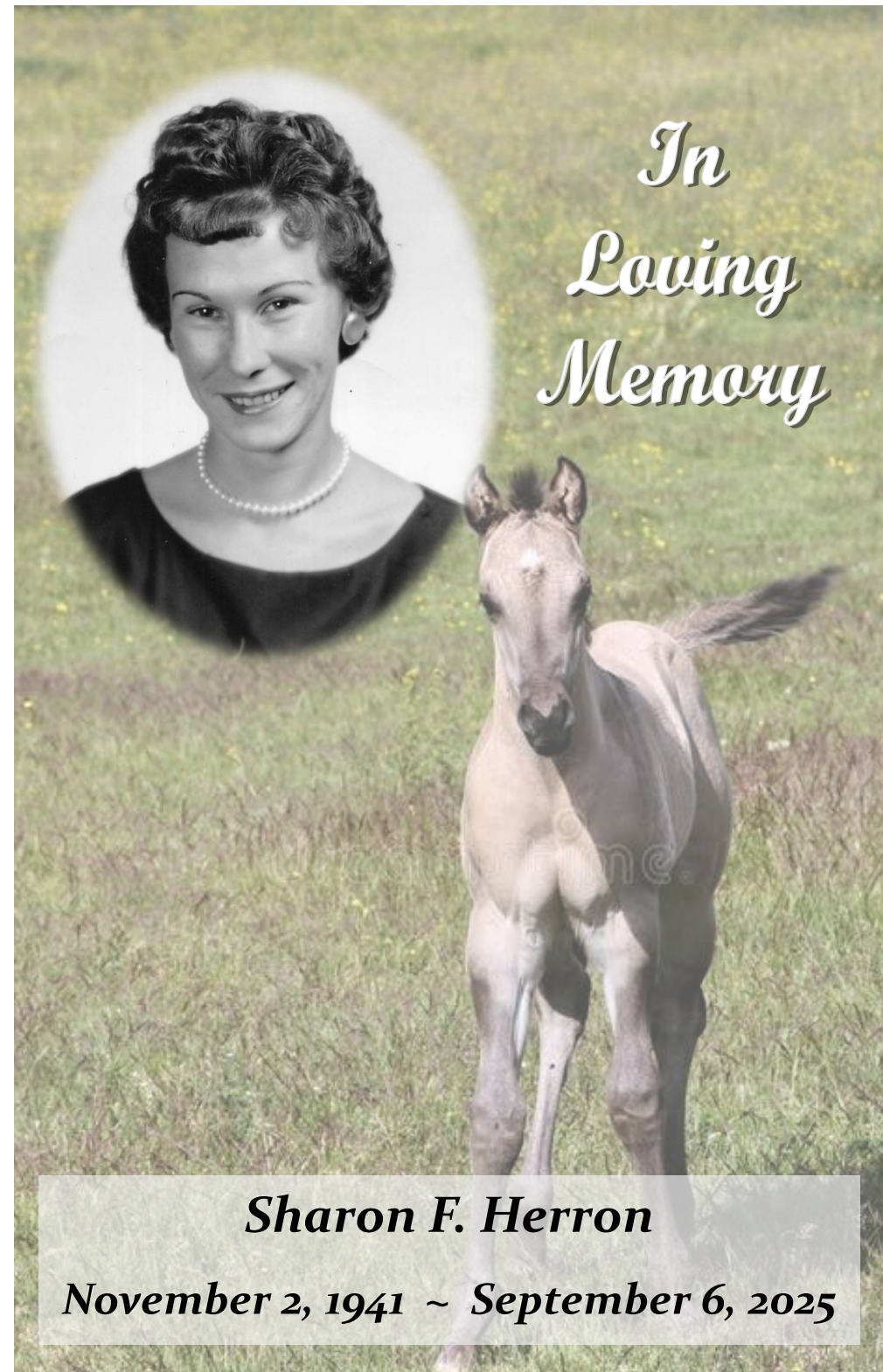
Sharon's sense of humor, Horse Training skills, and knowledge will be very deeply missed by family and friends alike.

Sharon F. Herron, 83, of Union Center, SD was taken away Saturday, September 6, 2025.

Condolences may be left for the family at [www.kinkadefunerals.com](http://www.kinkadefunerals.com).



*The family invites you to join them for fellowship and lunch  
immediately following the service.  
Thank you for your presence and condolences.*



*In  
Loving  
Memory*

***Sharon F. Herron***

***November 2, 1941 ~ September 6, 2025***



## Gumbo Quarter Horses

**Sharon Herron**

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This is my 21st year with RQHBA. I have been a member of AQHA since 1972 as a Breeders Referral and as a Ranching Heritage Breeder - both since their inception.

I strive to produce foals with super dispositions, conformation, strapped with colorful hides and the ability to compete in any venue. The mares and stallions run in large pastures with minimal human contact until I gather the 1st of August to halter break the foals.

My parents always told me as a baby, I couldn't tolerate ordinary milk so I was raised on wild mare's milk. Gues you could say horses have been in my blood for a lifetime.

## *In Loving Memory Of* **Sharon F. Herron**

### *Born*

November 2, 1941  
Sturgis, South Dakota

### *Died*

September 6, 2025  
Hereford, South Dakota

### *Funeral Service*

Tuesday, September 16, 2025, 11:00 a.m.  
Central Meade County Community Center  
Union Center, South Dakota

### *Officiant*

Pastor Harold Delbridge

### *Musician*

Dan Chapman

### *Musical Selections*

"That's My Job"  
"The Hand that Rocks the Cradle"  
"Waltz Across Texas"

### *Pallbearers*

John Rhoden   Rick Johnston   Les McGill  
Glen Spring   Levi Grimes   Terry Hamerstrom

### *Final Resting Place*

St. Aloysius Catholic Cemetery  
Sturgis, South Dakota