



## Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann

October 1, 1982 - August 8, 2020

Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann, 37, Valley City, ND, passed away Saturday, August 8, 2020 in Sanford Health Fargo. A Celebration of Life Social will be held at the Palmer House hotel in Sauk Centre, MN on November 1, 2020 from 2 PM to 4:30 PM.

Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann, 37, Valley City, ND, passed away Saturday, August 8, 2020 in Sanford Health Fargo. Visitation will be held Thursday, August 13, 2020 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm with a time to share at 7:00 pm at Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel. A Celebration of Life Service will be 1:30 pm, Friday, August 14 at Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel. A memorial service will be held at a later date in Sauk Centre, MN.

Shaina Leigh Neurauter was born on October 1, 1982 in Fargo, ND, the daughter of Joe and Laurel (Howe) Neurauter. Shaina quickly received the nickname “Rodent” from her dad because she was as cute as their pet squirrel, Peek. That nickname followed her throughout her whole life. Shaina was baptized and confirmed at Faith Lutheran Church in Valley City, ND. She attended school in Valley City and finished her senior year in Sauk Centre, MN. While in Sauk Centre, Shaina worked at the family owned/operated DMV with her grandmother, Sharon Howe. Shaina also worked as a bartender at Hennington’s and as a cook at the Palmer House, where she developed and maintained a friendship with owner, Kelley Freese. Shaina moved back to Valley City and worked in food service at Pizza Hut, Budget Burger, and Kenny’s. She also worked as a CNA at Sheyenne Care Center and loved working with individuals in the Cottage (Alzheimer’s Unit). Shaina later moved to Fargo where she worked in the medical field as a CNA, phlebotomist, and as a supply coordinator. Shaina continued her higher education at Rasmussen Business College in Moorhead, MN.

Shaina began her battle with type 1 diabetes (T1D) at the young age of 10. This did not stop Shaina from living life to its fullest. Shaina loved adventure and pushing the limits of societal norms. This was evident when she and her best friend, Thalia, joined the boy’s football team in the 8th grade. These girls were the first, and only, girls to ever join the boys’ football team in the history of Valley City High School. Shaina also had a love of other sports and participated in softball, volleyball, and was a complete natural in gymnastics. Her parents loved watching her long legs flip through the air during one of her

many floor routines. Shaina loved going to her T1D camp (Camp Sioux) and developed lifelong friendships with other youth with T1D.

Shaina was married while living in Fargo and from that union was blessed with a beautiful step-daughter, Alexis (Odermann) Burchill. Shaina enjoyed watching Alexis grow into a strong, intelligent, and talented young lady and was proud of all Alexis has accomplished. Shaina was very much looking forward to Alexis's wedding reception scheduled for 8/15/2020.

Some of Shaina's favorite times over the past few years were spent traveling with her best friend, Corrina. The two were able to take trips to Colorado, Chicago, and Florida where Shaina was able to see the ocean. She was additionally able to travel to Michigan to spend time with a fellow CKD friend whom she met on an online support group. Shaina also had a fierce love for her family and her animals. The best day in Shaina's life was the birth of her niece, Hanna. Shaina loved spending time with Hanna and her nephews, Shawn and Mason. She passionately loved her rescue rabbit, Bunn; her bird, Ringo; and her cats Willy, Meanie, Oden, and Sergio.

In 2012, Shaina developed Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) and began life on dialysis. Shaina hated every moment of dialysis and kept on going while staying focused on her end goal of getting a kidney/pancreas transplant. There were many times Shaina wanted to throw in the towel but she remained strong and fought hard, not wanting to let others down or have people think she gave up. Remaining constantly by her side during the never-ending appointments, surgeries, rounds of testing for transplant, and every healthcare crisis (and let's face it...there were many), were Shaina's parents Laurel, Joe, and Lisa. When Shaina was in a coma and extended hospital stay for over four months, all three of Shaina's parents remained by her side and spent days and nights with Shaina in her room to be her voice when she was not able to speak for herself. Quality of life for Shaina looked pretty grim. Doctors predicted that Shaina would never walk, talk, or eat again. For anyone that knows Shaina, food is one of her favorite things in the world and she most certainly was not going to have this doctor predict her future. Shaina sent a message to her mom that said "I want to do things one more time. Things I took for granted. I want one more summer, one more taco, one more trip, one more Christmas, one more car ride, one more walk, one more bath, one more pedicure, to pet and hold the animals, to feel like the kids love me, one more walk to feel the sun, the wind, and the rain again." We are heartbroken that Shaina is no longer with us but grateful she was able to experience every item on her wish list.

Shaina's final hospitalization began on Wednesday, August 5, 2020. At that time, Shaina's healthcare wishes were honored by her family and medical team and she was placed on comfort care at Sanford. These final days allowed Shaina the opportunity to have visits with the many family and friends that she so loved. Shaina passed away peacefully on August 8, 2020 while surrounded by all of her loving and dedicated parents. She will be

missed dearly.

Shaina leaves behind her mother, Laurel (Howe) Neurauter; father and step-mother, Joe and Lisa (Bayley) Neurauter; sister, Amber Neurauter (Craig Neussendorfer); niece, Hanna Neurauter; nephews: Shawn and Mason Neussendorfer; step-daughter, Alexis (Odermann) Burchill; beloved pets, Sergio, Oden, Ringo; aunts and uncles, Cathy Gruber, Fargo, Ed "Bink" (Carolyn) Gruber, San Antonio, Dave (Vallie) Gruber, Albuquerque, Michele (Bob) Green, Valley City, Patty (Leland) Miller, Fargo, Jana (Dan) Beck, Woodbury, Sheryl (Mark) Rafferty, Lino Lakes, Jared (Erin) Howe, Sauk Centre and Lyle (Jill) Bayley, Nampa; step-grandmother, Pat Bayley, Valley City; along with numerous cousins, extended family, and friends.

Shaina was preceded in death by her angel baby; fur babies, Bunn, Willy, and Meanie; grandparents; Harry (Eva) Neurauter, Loren (Sharon) Howe, and Roger Bayley; uncles, Bill Gruber and Michael Neurauter.

Honorary Pallbearers; Tessa Nicoli, Sarah Dantes, Sara Faul, Corrina Stugelmeyer Weninger, Alise Volk, Brett Volk, Mark Landis, Doug Kiefert, Brett Lloyd, Gary Leslie, Kevin Klein, and Ozzy Osborne "Fearless." Also included; members of "Support for Shaina" and online support groups for T1D and CKD.

Following Shaina's Celebration of Life Service, her family invites you to join them at the Valley City Eagle's Club where lunch and refreshments will be served.

Due to long-term illnesses with type 1 Diabetes and End Stage Renal Failure, memorials will be used for final expenses. Condolences can be sent to:

Joe/Lisa Neurauter Laurel Neurauter

470 7th Ave. NE 506 2nd Ave.

Valley City, ND 58072 Kathryn, ND 58049

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City. An online guestbook is available at [www.oliver-nathanchapel.com](http://www.oliver-nathanchapel.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 13. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S.  
Valley City, ND 58072

## Time of Sharing

AUG 13. 7:00 PM (CT)

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S.  
Valley City, ND 58072

## Celebration of Life

AUG 14. 1:30 PM (CT)

Traditions Funeral Services - Oliver Nathan Funeral Chapel  
251 Central Ave. S.  
Valley City, ND 58072  
(701) 845-2414  
o-nchapel@bektel.com

## Celebration of Life

NOV 1. 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

The Palmer House  
500 Sinclair Lewis Ave  
Sauk Centre, MN 56378

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Shaina's Celebration of Life Service*



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - August 14, 2020 at 06:46 PM

DS

“ So very sorry for your loss. She was so young. May you find peace in the many memories and life she shared with you all. Blessings & prayers.

Diane Sommerfeld - August 14, 2020 at 12:47 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann.



August 13, 2020 at 08:26 PM



“ 119 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - August 13, 2020 at 04:55 PM

CH

So sad for your loss. You are in our prayers. Cyndi Hill

Cyndi Hill - August 13, 2020 at 09:49 PM

DJ

“ Dave and Vallie Gruber; Travis and Megan Jester purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann.



Dave and Vallie Gruber; Travis and Megan Jester - August 13, 2020 at 11:09 AM

AW

“ April Whisler lit a candle in memory of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann



april whisler - August 13, 2020 at 01:09 AM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann.



August 12, 2020 at 09:04 PM

JP

“ JoAnn Pederson lit a candle in memory of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann



JoAnn Pederson - August 12, 2020 at 04:37 PM

LE

Oh shaina...I can't even find the words anymore. You were raised by the best and it showed. My deepest sympathy to your family and parents. You my girl, will always be my model hero. To always keep the faith, your strength and on bad days to here you say "better days to come, tomorrow is a new day" and hoped for the best. You got discouraged but never gave up on hope. I love and admire you so much. Thank you for being my friend and teaching me what life is really like. To live each day as if it was your last and do it with a smile and so whole heartedly. You definitely earned your wings, and I know your the most beautiful angel God has ever seen! Rest well my friend, till we meet again. ILY!

Leah - August 13, 2020 at 06:33 AM

DW

“ Although I didn't know her well I told her many times that I loved her sense of humor. She truly was a gift was will be missed.



Donna Wheeler - August 12, 2020 at 02:17 PM

BP

“ Beth Pedersen lit a candle in memory of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann



Beth Pedersen - August 11, 2020 at 06:52 PM

NK

“ I grew up attending gymnastics with Shaina. Coaches gave her the nickname “Svetlana” after a Famous Russian gymnast that was popular back then that resembled Shaina’s long and lean physique. I kept in touch with her through out the years and loved her witty sense of humor. She was strong and I admired her for all she endured. My prayers are with her entire family during this difficult time. Shaina was unique although she will be missed...I’m blessed to know she is with her Savior.

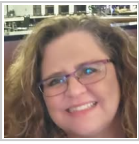
Nicole Komrosky - August 11, 2020 at 06:17 PM

GN

“ Ginny Neurauter lit a candle in memory of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann



Ginny Neurauter - August 11, 2020 at 06:11 PM



“ I lived next door to the Neurauter Family during my college years. I loved those two sweet, precious little girls. I remember Shaina as a bright, spunky girl! I babysat them sometimes when their parents worked overnights. I remember when Shaina was diagnosed with T1D. I also worked at Pizza Corner and the thin crust pizza was something she could have without too much worry. Needless to say, whenever I babysat, we always shared 🍕!! Rest in peace sweet girl! Fly high, you've earned your wings!



Lynn Pedersen - August 11, 2020 at 11:33 AM

CM

“ Christine And Curt Marshall lit a candle in memory of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann



Christine and Curt Marshall - August 11, 2020 at 09:02 AM

1C

“ 1 Priority Transportation- Paul, Paula, Craig,Dave purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann.



1 Priority Transportation- Paul, Paula, Craig,Dave - August 11, 2020 at 08:53 AM



“ Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Shaina (Neurauter) Odermann.



August 10, 2020 at 04:06 PM