



Sharry Preheim

September 13, 1933 - February 15, 2026

Sharry Preheim, 92, loving daughter, sister, wife, mother, aunt, grandmother, and great-grandmother passed away, on February 15, 2026. Sharry was born to Alphonso Raymond Van Compernelle and Bertha Lawson in Santa Ana, California on September 13, 1933. She was welcomed home by her sister, Lola Lee.

She graduated from St Vincent's College of Nursing in 1954. It was there that she converted and was baptized into the Catholic Faith. She married a Navy veteran, William Preheim, on November 7, 1954. They moved to Big Creek in 1960, with four oldest of what would eventually be eight children.

Sharry embraced this mountain community. She loved fishing, hunting, boating, backpacking and camping. As her children grew, she was the medical chaperone for many backpacking trips as well as field trips with Big Creek School. She also served as an EMT, Volunteer fireman and church and school volunteer. She worked as the Edison Nurse in Big Creek for many years, retiring in 1991.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years and two sons, Thomas Ray Preheim and Will Loren Preheim, and son-in-law, Gil Davis. She is survived by six of her eight children; Joel Preheim (Tammy), Leigh Ann Davis, Trina Martin (Doug), Jeanie Lull (Don), Karl Preheim (Amy), Cori

Preheim (Laney), and daughter-in-law, Alisha Preheim. Her legacy includes 22 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren with another on the way.

While the family is saddened by her passing, Sharry loved the Lord, and we are blessed to know that we will see her again in heaven.

A mass and celebration is being planned for March 19, 2026 at 11:00 am at Community Center in Shaver Lake.

Previous Events

Mass

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (PT)

Shaver Lake Community Center
41344 Tollhouse Road
Shaver Lake, CA 93664

Tribute Wall



“ Rembrances can be made to Shaver Lake Catholic Church or Lay Mission Helpers to Support Sally Rojas in her three year mission in Africa laymissionhelpers.org”

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