



# **Gala Pearlene Tharp**

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**A** lert: A New Bright and Shining Star has just been observed in the Heavens above. On Saturday, January 5th, 2019 at approximately 03:00 hours Gala Pearlene Knifley Tharp was ushered into the presence of her Heavenly Father, where she was received by the open arms of her smiling Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. She was also welcomed by family and friends who preceded her, consisting of her earthly mother and father, Helen M. and Philip S. Knifley, her sister Phyllis Hershberger, close friends Cathy Pinkerton and Carolyn Gilmore as well as others. What a Glorious Day! Gala was born on August 2nd, 1941 in Wichita, Kansas, attended East High school (class of 1959), Southwestern University, Winfield, Kansas and Friends University, Wichita, Kansas. She married Robert E. Tharp of Wichita on September 10th, 1961. Relocating in Sapulpa, Oklahoma in the fall of 1978. She was an Administrative Assistant for the ORU Center for Instructional Services until becoming the Assistant to the Dean of the Dental School. Upon the closing of the Dental school she worked the last 26 years as Office Manager and Administrative Assistant for Scientific Computer Applications, Inc. with Dick Banks, President. Although Gala realized this was quite unexpected, she knew that the Holy Spirit would provide the comfort and guidance for all she left behind (friends and family in Christ), consisting of family members: Becky M. (niece) and Greg Pugmire, and family. Philip M. (nephew) and Patty Hershberger and family. Tara Suzanne (daughter) and Matthew Gildenhorn of Oak Hill, Virginia. Todd Edwin (son) and Leslie Tharp of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Lyle Dean (son) and Tracy Camparone Tharp of Santa Monica, California. And last but not least are her precious grandchildren, “the gems of her heart”: Grayson Keylee Tharp – 13, Connor Phillip Gildenhorn – 12 1/2, Olivier (Ollie) Rene Camparone Tharp – 6. Gala is survived by Robert E. Tharp – Husband of 57 years and the BOSS of the house, “Lulu” !! Services will be Friday,



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January 11, 2019 at Carbondale Assembly of God at 3:00. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked for donations to Carbondale Assembly of God for the choir.



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MT

**Mike And Cindee Treat** posted:

Our deepest sympathy to the entire Tharp family. Gala always had a smile on her face and made sure we did as well. We hated to hear of her suddenly being gone but know that she is resting in peace. She will be truly missed.

January 11 at 7:29 AM

WP

**Willetta Patton** posted:

Our sympathy to the Tharp Family. The Jerry Patton Family Jerry, Willetta, Lyn Betzen, and Suzy Barrientez

January 10 at 9:32 AM

DH

**Diane Hayslett** posted:

Gala was everything a real friend should be. She listened, encouraged, gave you loving advice, never judged and always gave of herself. She was a shining light in my life, and I will miss her, but know that largely due to her influence of her great love for Jesus, I will see her again.

January 10 at 5:07 AM

RM

**Roxie Camparone & Glenn Myers** posted:

Our deepest sympathy and condolences to the Tharp family in the sudden loss of Gala.

January 9 at 5:12 PM

CP

**Cheryl Pitcock** posted:

What a beautiful person (inside and out), earth has lost but Heaven has gained an angel. Gala, my friend you will be missed.

January 9 at 4:57 PM

GK

**Gwen & Cris Klinger** posted:

Gala brought joy and light to all she encountered. So blessed to have known her. I will miss her wonderful energy and contagious smile. She will be greatly missed.

January 9 at 2:13 PM



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JM

**Janice Mosley** posted:

Gala was a delightful and beautiful friend. She will always be remembered with a smile!

January 9 at 1:58 PM

RW

**Rena And Martin Wancjer** posted:

Our deepest condolences to Tara and the family.

January 9 at 11:36 AM

BB

**Barbara Beasley** posted:

Gala was my soul sister in Christ. We spent many hours in prayer for our children, our families and others that were on our hearts. She was a loyal friend and committed to being a source of encouragement to everyone she met. She knew no strangers and easily shared her love for Jesus Christ. Heaven just got brighter and Earth lost a ray of sunshine. You will be greatly missed, my precious friend.

January 9 at 10:48 AM

JO

**Jennifer (Jenny) Flick, And Mike Flick, Tulsa, Oklahoma.** posted:

Gayla, over the years you and I had planned to get together and kindle our friendship. Our daughter Sascha, Lyle and Tracy have been such a wonderful friendship firstly in Tulsa, then in Santa Monica California. Your grandson Oliver (Ollie) has been such a joy to all our them. Lyle, has always had a special spot in our hearts from lifeguard days at West Tulsa pools to the present.

January 8 at 4:43 PM

MB

**Mary Jobe Bullard** posted:

Gala, was a beautiful and precious friend. She will be missed. She is rejoicing in Heaven and walking on streets of gold.

January 8 at 3:51 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Gala by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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