



Deanna Stephenson

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Deanna Stephenson, 77 of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma passed from this life on Saturday, January 30, 2021 in a Tulsa hospital. She was born August 12, 1943 in Dewar, Oklahoma to her parents, Melvin Durbin and Ruby Dodds Durbin. On January 23, 1965 she married the love of her life, Billy Joe Stephenson and started their lives together, creating lasting memories over the past 56 years.

Deanna is survived by her loving husband, Bill Stephenson of the home; two children, Michelle Heritage-Shales and her husband David of Bixby, Oklahoma and Darren Brent Stephenson and his wife Gretchen of Tulsa, Oklahoma; two sisters-in-law, Jane Thompson and her husband Mike of San Antonio, Texas and Charlotte Cornelius also of San Antonio, Texas; six grandchildren, Chase Heritage, Ashlyn Heritage, Hannah Stephenson, Luke Stephenson, Ashley Shales and Lauren Shales; a special cousin, Lana Dark and her husband Tommy; and many wonderful nieces, nephews, cousins, lifelong friends and extended family members. She was preceded in death by her parents, Melvin and Ruby Durbin; one son, Bryon Stephenson; and a sister, Delores McIntosh.

Visitation will be held from 3-6 p.m. on Thursday, February 4, 2021 at Floral Haven Funeral Home.

Due to gravity of the circumstances and the result the pandemic has brought into our lives, current conditions have necessitated measures prohibiting a customary farewell. Funeral services will be held in the Floral Haven Funeral Home Chapel with limited seating at 10:00 AM on Friday, February 5, 2021 with interment immediately following. For those that wish to watch the service via a live-stream feed, instructions are posted at the bottom of this obituary.

In Lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorial's been made to St. Jude 's in Deanna's honor by clicking on the following link: https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR/DDD/DDD?px=6090111&pg=personal&fr_id=129501©_link_share



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LIVE STREAM FEED INFORMATION:

***Services will be live streamed starting at 9:55 AM on 2/5/2021. To view the service live, please click on the following link: <http://webcast.funeralvue.com/events/viewer/47010>



Events

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Visitation

- Thursday**, February 4, 2021
- 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM CT
- Floral Haven Funeral Home**
6500 S. 129th E. Ave., Broken Arrow OK 74012



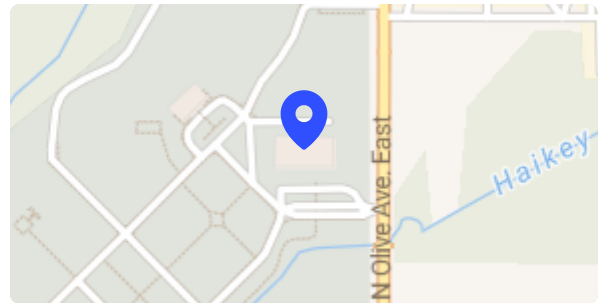
Funeral Ceremony

- Friday**, February 5, 2021
- 10:00 AM CT
- Floral Haven Funeral Home Chapel**
6500 S 129th E Ave., Broken Arrow OK 74012



Cemetery Details

- Floral Haven Memorial Gardens**
6500 S 129th E Ave, Broken Arrow OK 74012





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DS

Deanna Stephenson posted:

I didn't know whether to share or not since I had not gotten the opportunity to meet her. Over the years, at my doctor office, pharmacy, hospital appointments, etc I always had to emphasize my year of birth. You see, my name is Deanna Stephenson and we shared many similar traits. It wasn't until December at my salon appointment that I met someone who knew her personally. I made the statement that I wanted to meet her as soon as it was safe. I was so excited! When I found out today she had passed I was sad. Even though I never met her, I felt some part of me was missing that I didn't know I had. Seeing she was an educator and her momma's name was Ruby brought tears to my eyes. My momma was Ruby and I'm a teacher. My deepest sympathy to her family and friends. With a name like ours, she had to have been a special lady.

February 18 at 3:04 PM

JY

Joel Yankee lit a candle in honor of Deanna.



February 5 at 7:09 AM

DL

Debbie Lunt lit a candle in honor of Deanna.

Deanna was truly a treasure to know!



February 4 at 10:38 AM

JY

Joel Yankee lit a candle in honor of Deanna.



February 4 at 9:39 AM

KR

Kathy Risner lit a candle in honor of Deanna.



February 4 at 6:54 AM



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Sharon Whelpley lit a candle in honor of Deanna.



February 3 at 2:53 PM

BH **Beverly Hicks** February 4 at 3:51 PM

What a wonderful and treasured friend. We will all miss her. Sending Prayers for her family.
Beverly Hicks

CC **Charlotte Cornelius** February 4 at 10:30 AM

Love to my family!She was an amazing lady!!Always a smile and made everyone feel special!
She loved her family so very much!God gained a special angel!!!

KB **Karen Barnes** February 4 at 9:53 AM

We will miss you but know you are resting in Gods arms

KB **Karen Barnes** February 4 at 9:33 AM

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Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Stephenson family.



February 3 at 12:30 PM



Shelly posted:

I only met Deanna a handful of times. Her grand daughter and my daughter roomed together their freshman year. My sincere condolences go out to all that knew and loved her. I know she will be greatly missed here. Deanna was always so together and kind, positive, upbeat and full of life. Heaven got a real angel when she showed up!!

February 3 at 11:56 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Stephenson family.



February 3 at 10:47 AM



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Sandra Delso Smith posted:

Deanna Durbin Stephenson was a wonderful person. Always such a lady. I have known her and the entire Durbin Family (there are many) since 1951. We went to school together for 11 years. She graduated a year ahead of me. We were Cheerleaders for "Do or die for Dewar High". She was always involved in school and church activities. I have wonderful memories of her and her cousin, Trellis Hogan. She was beautiful, smart, and a friend to everyone. Having Deanna for a friend was a blessing. I pray comfort and peace for her husband, children, and grandchildren. She was a treasure for sure.

February 3 at 10:09 AM



Lora Hulse Golebiewski posted:

I had the pleasure of working with Deanna at Park Lane Elementary in the '80s. She was without a doubt one of the sweetest people I have ever met! She was always smiling that lovely smile of hers! I was happy to be her friend. Lora Hulse Golebiewski

February 3 at 6:31 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Stephenson family.



February 2 at 4:03 PM



Carrol H. (Sonny) And Linda Kay Haley Be posted:

Our hearts are saddened to read of the passing of our beautiful wonderful precious friend Deanna Durbin Stephenson. Our minds return to precious memories growing up together in our small town of Dewar, Oklahoma. Many, many cheerleading practices in her backyard. Such a wonderful beautiful times together. One of the prettiest and sweetest girls to ever graduate our beloved Dewar High School. She was from the wonderful class of 1961. Our class of 1962 was very blessed to be so close with the class before us and the class behind us. Small schools make for lifetime friendships. We have enjoyed many school reunions in the home of Jimmy and Linda Kay Pulliam. She will be missed. God bless you all as her family and friends. Our sincere love and prayers. Carrol H. (Sonny) and Linda Kay Haley Been

February 2 at 1:19 PM



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Anonymous sent a Deepest Faith to the Stephenson family.

February 2 at 11:30 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Stephenson family.

February 2 at 8:40 AM



Ann Voss posted:

To: Bill Stephenson & Family: Sorry for your loss. Deanna was a very sweet lady. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Love, Ann Voss Former Administrative Assistant to Bill Stephenson for 20 years.

February 2 at 8:32 AM



Tracy Kirk February 3 at 2:09 PM

So sorry to hear of Deanna's passing. She was a beautiful lady inside and out. She will be truly missed. Miss playing darts, some good memories. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Love, Tracy Kirk



Nieces And Nephews sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Stephenson family.

February 2 at 8:29 AM



Charlotte C. sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Stephenson family.

February 2 at 8:29 AM





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Anonymous sent a Serene Retreat to the Stephenson family.

February 2 at 8:27 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Stephenson family.

February 2 at 7:53 AM



Kristen & Pete Turley sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Stephenson family.

February 2 at 7:44 AM



Lonni Wilson posted:

To the Stephenson Family: Deanna was a elegant flower that brightened our lives with her beauty. I know she will be missed but God has her in His arms. The good news is that we all will see that elegant flower again one day. True joy comes from fond memories. Remember the joy Deanna brought to your lives. My prayers and thoughts are with you all. May God keep you and comfort you through this time. With Much Love, Lonni Wilson Tulsa Community College Bill's former Administrative Assistant

February 2 at 5:34 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Stephenson family.

February 1 at 6:58 PM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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