



Sharon "Sherie" Lee Brown

December 3, 1934 - July 7, 2020

Sharon "Sherie" Bowman Brown was an artist, nurse, wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She had life of adventures and talents, and now she may rest in peace.

As a teen-ager in Indiana she cared for her little brothers and sisters while excelling in school academics and music. When she graduated, she began as an X-ray tech and then did secretarial work for a construction company. When she married Paul, they began their life together in Champaign, Illinois. She used her artistic talent to work adding color to photographs – mostly Air Force Blue to airmen's portraits. After Champaign they headed to Chicago where she was a member of the GraceNotes professional singing group. From Chicago they moved to the farm in Duncan, Illinois where they spent 7 years. Even with 3 children she learned the farm life. She jumped in with energy tending the chickens and cow, picking berries and cutting asparagus along the fence line, summer meals of sweet corn and tomatoes, haircuts for everybody while sitting on the kitchen stool, and even chasing the old horse through the cornfield after one of the kids left the gate open. Oh, the fun of those special evenings of dinner and dancing at The Hub with life-long friends.

Soon she was designing a new house that to be built in Streator, Ill., and it was on to another chapter. In Streator Sherie began to renew her artistic talent again with sketching, sewing, and of course playing piano. She also began to volunteer as an aide at the hospital as she was always drawn to the medical field. There were big family vacations to Mt. Rushmore and Colorado, Washington, D.C, and Florida.

After a few years in Streator the big move to Oklahoma brought her new energy. She was reaching for new stars. She became a surgical nurse, and was truly the happiest working in the surgery department at Baptist Hospital in Oklahoma City. As she managed to get her children through their rebellious years with just a hiccup or two, Sherie and Paul made their last move to Bartlesville, Oklahoma. She had several nursing jobs and finished a respected career as a much-valued office nurse.

Of course, that artistic talent began to show again – painting, needlepoint, refinishing furniture, and always playing piano. With retirement Sherie and Paul increased their traveling throughout the United States, especially to visit homes of former presidents and

driving through the hills when the leaves were changing. They made trips to Europe, Mexico, the Great Lakes, West Coast, Colorado, Florida, and places in between. Even with all the travelling she was still available to be with the growing number of grandchildren, she didn't hesitate to say, "I'll pack my bags and be there tomorrow." There were those special weeks that the grandkids got to stay with Grandma and Grandpa in Bartlesville filled with shopping at K-Mart and the dollar store, baking sweet treats, fixing broken toys, and trips to Woolaroc. She always loved playing bridge with friends, Crazy Sol cards with her mother Elsie, crosswords, and jigsaw puzzles.

It has been a long road, a life of travel and art and so much love. Now Sherie is free to rest knowing the beauty of her moss roses and peonies of Bartlesville, the thrill of surgery in Oklahoma City, the painting and music and sycamore trees back home in Indiana.

Rest in Peace for a life well-lived and a life well-loved.

Sherie was preceded in death by her parents Homer and Elsie Bowman, sister and brother-in-law Patsy and Jim Francis, brother Keith Bowman, brother-in-law Joe Money, and sister-in-law Gail Bowman. She is survived by her husband of 66 years Paul Brown, son Doug and wife Marilyn Brown, daughter Debbie McFeeters, daughter Nancy and husband Kent Williams; sister Phyllis Money; sister-in-law Peg Bowman; brothers Ron Bowman, Darrell and wife Dotty Bowman, and Rick and Rhonda Bowman. Grandchildren are Dylan and Keaton Brown; Drew and wife Autumn McFeeters; and Kylie McFeeters and fiance' Shane Hall; Colson Williams and Chloe Marsh; Camon Williams, Carter Williams and Maddi and Chris Aguillard. Great grandchildren are Marshall, Cassidy, Makenna McFeeters; Matthew Hall; and Preston Aguillard.

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Comments



“ Paul & Family,

Sherie is at last at peace. This is a very sad time.....But think of all ,the good times we all shared.

Our prayers are with you all.

Dick & Margaret Cipolla

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