



## Pamela Diane (Nickels) Smith

March 19, 1964 - April 30, 2012

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Pamela D. (Nickels) Smith, 48, of LaCrescent, Minnesota and formerly of Bartlesville, died on Monday, April 30, 2012 at the St. Mary's Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota.

Funeral services will be held at 10 A.M. on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at the First Baptist Church in Bartlesville with family members, Rev. Jim Pasley and Rev. Clayton Paslay officiating. Interment will be in the Dewey Cemetery directed by the Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

Casket escorts will include Jeremy Nickels, Eric Nickels, Jason Nickels, Hunter Nickels, Bob Burnett and Chris Brown.

Pamela's family will receive guests at the Stumpff Funeral Home on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 from 6 P.M. until 8 P.M.

A memorial fund has been established and those who wish may send their contributions to Bluestem Therapeutic Riding, P.O. Box 121, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, 74005

Pam was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma on March 19, 1964, to Norman and

Ida Nickels and she was the youngest of five siblings. Pam graduated from Col-Hi (now Bartlesville High School) in 1982. She graduated from Rogers State in 1984 with an Associates degree in Horse and Ranch Management. From early childhood, Pam was an avid animal lover, especially horses. She was very active in the Sooner Saddlers Youth Riding Club for 9 years. She served as club queen on two different occasions. Pam was Cavalcade Queen 1982-83. She was Pawhuska Round up Club queen in 1991, and was active in the Bluestem Quarter Horse Association, American Quarter Horse Association and Palomino Horse Breeder's Association. Pam was married to Roy Smith of Pawhuska in 1990 and he preceded her in death in 2010. They had two children, Taylor and Carolyn. Pam and her children moved to Minnesota in 1997 where they have lived for the last 15 years.

Pam was an organ donor and benefactors of her anatomical gifts included her heart for a 66 year old female in Missouri, her liver for a 58 year old female who had been on the waiting list for 257 days, a kidney for a 55 year old female in California who was a perfect match, her other kidney to a recipient in Missouri and her pancreas to the University of Minnesota for research.

Pam is survived by her children, Taylor Smith and Carolyn Smith both of LaCrescent, Minnesota, a step son, Dustin Smith of Wisconsin, her parents, Norman and Ida Nickels of Bartlesville, her brothers, DuWayne Nickels and wife Nancy of Broken Arrow, OK., Darrell Nickels of Copan, Clifton Nickels and wife Joyce of Bartlesville, and her sister, Penny Nickels of Bartlesville, a special niece, Amber Nickels and her fiancée Chris Brown of Bartlesville and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a sister-in-law, Connie Nickels.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pamela Diane (Nickels) Smith*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Pamela Diane (Nickels) Smith*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Pam was such a very nice bus driver. I will miss her kindness and sweet personality. My condolences to her family and friends.*

**Karen B.** - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My deepest sympathies. I had the pleasure of driving bus with Pam. She was a pleasure to work with and was dedicated to her job, the passengers we always her first concern. May she rest in peace.*

**Bob Allred** - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

**Ruth Powell Morgan** - May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ My thoughts and prayers continue to be with all of you at this time and in the difficult days to come. I have been following Penny’s FB posts that Teresa has forwarded for the last week or so. How wonderful it is that you already know how many lives have been forever changed by receiving Pam’s organs! Blessings of peace and comfort for all of you.

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**Lynne Powell Riggan** - May 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ My prayers are with your family at this difficult time. Hugs to all.

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**Teresa Reed** - May 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Pam was a good family friend. I have so many fond memories of her growing up. She will be missed dearly.

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**Jamie Passehl-Drummond** - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ many prayers for the family

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**david kerr** - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Sad to here. Her family is in our prayers.

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**Buddy Snodgrass** - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I am keeping both the Nickels and Smith families in my thoughts and prayers. I will light some candles for Pam this evening in memory of her. I remember Pam's gentle presence in junior high and high school orchestra. She never had a harsh word for anyone, and added so much to our music making. Although I did not get to know Pam as an adult, I recently joined Facebook, and was following Pam's postings with interest. I am a richer person from having known Pam during my years in Bartlesville.

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**Jim Bond** - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Trying to write something has never been so hard to do until now. Pam was such a wonderful person and I always thought of her as a sister I never had. We had alot of fun over the years. I just wish we had been able to share more fun while she was still here. I missed out on a lot of years while I was so far away and she was so far away but I am so glad I got to see her last May. I just wish we could've visited more. I will always have the great memories of the trips we took years ago, especially to Nashville with the folks, Penny and Amber. We had such a great time then. I will always remember how much she loved George Strait too. She was a wonderful lady and friend. I will miss you dearly my dear friend Pam. Love you sister.

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**Thursie Broome** - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM