



Sarah Derryberry

November 19, 1956 - May 8, 2022

Sarah Jane Derryberry passed away on May 8, 2022, after a long battle with numerous illnesses.

Sarah was born November 19, 1956, in Topeka, KS to Josef and Helen Derryberry. Sarah grew up in Bartlesville as the family moved here in 1958 and she graduated from Col High in 1975. After many years of working in the family business, Derryberry Jewelers, Sarah went on to pursue her passion working for numerous non-profit organizations over the years. She worked for Call Rape (DVIS) in Tulsa as the Volunteer Coordinator for many years and later moved back to Bartlesville to work for Women & Children in Crisis.

Shortly after, Sarah took a position as the Executive Director of Eldercare in Bartlesville. She along with others in Bartlesville started Eldercare. Sarah played an intricate role in obtaining the grants and funding as well as helped facilitate building of the current Eldercare facility and started the very popular fundraiser that continues to live on today, "The Good, the Bad, & the BBQ". After Eldercare Sarah worked for Samaritan Counseling for a short time and was later hired as the grant writer for Osage Nation. She helped many organizations volunteering her time to mentor others that were new to grant writing as well as writing grants for them.

Sarah had a great love for her family, friends, art, animals, and her community. Her father introduced her to her love of horses when he bought her first horse "Nancy". In high school she worked for Judy Arnold, a great horseman, who gave Sarah a job handling her horses. Later she became friends with Virginia

Sweet and Odie McReynolds, both very independent talented women who taught Sarah how to develop her interests in Art. While attending art classes at Virginia Sweets Art studio she reconnected with her former classmate Lisa Fox. Sarah and Lisa enjoyed roaming around New Mexico's galleries in Taos and Santa Fe.

Sarah was very close with her beloved niece Jennifer and great nieces Jade, and Jillian Tomlinson, often sharing with them her love of color, design, art and life lessons for which they will be forever grateful.

Sarah is preceded in death by her parents Josef Eugene Derryberry and Helen Lorene (Crampton) Derryberry.

She is survived by her partner, Lisa Fox of Bartlesville, OK., brother Josef M. Derryberry of Bartlesville, OK, brother Geoff R. Derryberry and wife Gail of Gainesville, GA., her nieces Jennifer Tomlinson and husband Jeff of Bartlesville, OK, and great nieces, Jade Tomlinson of Oklahoma City, OK. and Jillian Tomlinson of Bartlesville, OK., nieces Amber Derryberry, Amy N. Derryberry, and Amanda Derryberry, as well as many loyal friends.

We are grateful for the care & love she received from the staff at Medicalodges of Dewey.

A memorial fund has been established and those who wish may send their contributions to the Bartlesville Art Association at PO Box 961, Bartlesville, 74005 or donate online at bartlesvilleartassociation.org.

"We wish to welcome all friends & family to please join us Saturday, June 11th at 10am Graveside service at Memorial Park Cemetery in Bartlesville and Celebration of Life party at Eldercare in Bartlesville from 2pm-4pm"

Previous Events

graveside

JUN 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

Memorial Park Cemetery
4200 Nowata Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006

Celebration of Life - Come and Go

JUN 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

ElderCare
1223 Swan Dr
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 336-8500
<http://www.abouteldercare.org>

Tribute Wall



“ Sarah Derryberry

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ Sarah Derryberry

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Sarah Derryberry.



June 09, 2022 at 02:37 PM



“ Candy Thomas lit a candle in memory of Sarah Derryberry



Candy Thomas - May 13, 2022 at 03:53 PM



Sarah was an amazing woman who always had a smile on her face and a great interest in others. When she came to work at the Osage Nation she was very engaged in learning about the Osage history and culture. I was fortunate to know her as a co-worker and friend.

Candy Thomas - May 13, 2022 at 03:57 PM

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“ *Rip my sweet friend, give lots of Hugs to your mama and to Mama Faye for me!*

Deniece - May 13, 2022 at 01:21 AM

VS

“ *Rest in peace Sarah sincerely Vickie Snellgrove*



Vickie Snellgrove - May 12, 2022 at 02:08 PM

LB

“ *My heart is truly heavy with this news! Sarah was a remarkable person that I admired her in many ways and am grateful to have known her. Sending prayers and love to her family, friends, and those who's lives she impacted.*

Laura Blight - May 12, 2022 at 12:32 PM

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“ *I had the great pleasure of working with Sarah, Geoff, and mr and mrs Derryberry as a jeweler in their store in Bartlesville great people loved them all dearly for their kindness and love shown to me . Although Sarah and I lost touch for awhile when I moved to Texas in the 1980's when I returned we looked each other up and rekindled our long friendship I loved Sarah's wit and charming demeanor we stayed in touch as much as possible via Facebook while her stay at medical lodge I must confess god gained another angel cause I for one will never forget her she was such a shining beautiful lady fly high my friend give your Father and Mother my love*

Farrell Burks - May 12, 2022 at 08:38 AM

JH

“ *Janice Holland lit a candle in memory of Sarah Derryberry*



Janice Holland - May 11, 2022 at 10:21 PM