



Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman

September 20, 1947 - February 17, 2022

Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman, 74, passed away on Thursday, February 17, 2022, in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. He was born to Joseph and Florence (Slodow) Cream in Brooklyn, New York on September 20, 1947. Shelly was adopted and raised by Charles and Lee (Chernack) Handelman in Downey, California. After a lengthy search, he was reunited with his biological mother and full siblings on July 15, 2017, in Newport Beach, California.

Shelly served in the U.S. Army from August 1967 to August 1969. He was a proud Vietnam Veteran. Shelly retired from IBM in 1985 and Oklahoma State University in 2018. He loved to watch his grandchildren play sports and his grandson's sprint car races. He enjoyed western movies, Star Wars movies, and he spent a lot of time at the shooting range.

Shelly was preceded in death by his biological parents, Joseph and Florence Cream; his adoptive parents, Charles and Lee Handelman; his first wife, Nancy (Combs) Handelman; two children, Tamara Lynn and Shawn Charles Handelman; and his brother Robert Cream.

Shelly is survived by his wife, Donna; his daughter Katie and (Cody) Wann; four step-children, Lance and (Julie) Silva, Jeremy and (Kelli) Silva, Stephanie and (Kelly) Banks, and Casey Short; his sister, Jan Rosen and brother, Joseph Cream. He enjoyed and cherish his nine grandchildren, Madelyn and Hunter Wann; Aidan, Baron, Tatum, and Carson Silva; Scout and Aysen Offutt; and Sable Banks.

Funeral services for Shelly will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 22,

2022, at the Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel. He will receive military funeral honors at 11 a.m. on Friday, February, 25, 2022, at Fort Gibson National Cemetery in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma.

For those who may wish to send a memorial, the family requests donations be made to The Journey Home, 900 NE Washington Boulevard, Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74006.

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK

Previous Events

Come & Go Visitation

FEB 21. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel
1600 SE Washington Blvd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-4300
<http://www.Stumpff.org>

Funeral Service

FEB 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel
1600 SE Washington Blvd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
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Tribute Wall



“ Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM

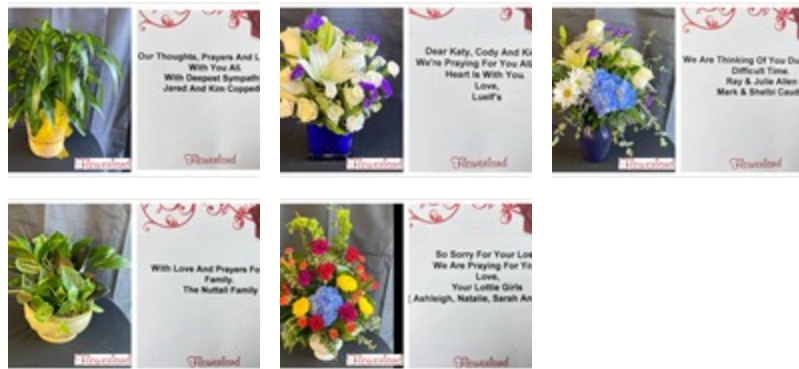


“ Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



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Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory - February 22, 2022 at 02:18 PM



“ Shelly was a lovely man we were all blessed to know here at OSU-Tulsa. I remember his kindness and willingness to explain things, and always a smile. I am sorry for your loss and am sad to know of his passing.

Eve Ash - February 22, 2022 at 02:02 PM

SC

“ Samantha Overfield - OSU CHS lit a candle in memory of Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman



Samantha Overfield - OSU CHS - February 22, 2022 at 01:23 PM

AN

“ Prayers of comfort in your loss. love - OSU-CHS family.

Anna - February 21, 2022 at 04:38 PM

TK

“ Tiffany, Amanda, Jason, and Kirby purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman.



Tiffany, Amanda, Jason, and Kirby - February 21, 2022 at 01:03 PM

BN

“ A great day at the range with a great man!



Brian Nuttall - February 20, 2022 at 10:04 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman.*



February 20, 2022 at 10:00 PM



“ *Ray & Julie Allen/Mark & Shelbi Caudill purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman.*



Ray & Julie Allen/Mark & Shelbi Caudill - February 19, 2022 at 11:50 AM



“ *Judy Rea lit a candle in memory of Sheldon "Shelly" Jay Handelman*



judy rea - February 18, 2022 at 07:37 PM



My heart is sad to hear of his passing. I remember him being my go to person anytime I had a computer issue many moons ago when I started at OSU in 2008. He was very soft spoken and helpful so many times. Andrea Cook

Andrea Cook - February 21, 2022 at 01:09 PM



Shelly was such a kind soul. He will be greatly missed. Denise Ware

Denise Marshall - February 21, 2022 at 02:05 PM

KM

I loved listening to Shelly talk about his pug Pistol. He was a kind person and will be missed.

Kelsey Mathis - February 21, 2022 at 09:04 PM

DM

Many years of memories together in our small OSU technology room. You were always encouraging to me. Rest in peace, my friend. My condolences to his family.

Deb Martin - February 22, 2022 at 06:24 PM