



## Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas

November 10, 1949 - June 12, 2022

With profound sadness we announce the passing of Lynda Jane Brown Nichols Thomas, 72, of Grove. When she passed peacefully at home on Sunday, June 12, from her battle with cancer, we lost a woman that touched many lives with her unending wit and gregarious persona.

Lynda was born November 10, 1949, in Miami, Oklahoma, to the late Charles E. and Edna I. (Markle) Brown. Lynda graduated from Commerce High School in 1968. She married George “Steve” Nichols, and together they had two sons.

After becoming a mother and homemaker, and with the belief that anyone who keeps learning stays young, she attended college at Northeastern Oklahoma. She decided to turn her exceptional talent of arguing into a career, and in 1987 graduated from the University of Tulsa School of Law earning her Juris Doctor. Lynda was a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association and a very proud member of the Cherokee Nation.

Later in life she met her match in Earl James "Jim" Thomas. There were never two people that loved shopping, dressing up, and entertaining friends and family more than these two. They married in Las Vegas and made their home in Miami, Oklahoma. Every holiday was an event, not just a gathering, and they took great pride and pleasure devoting countless hours decorating every room in their home floor to ceiling, inside and outside.

When you think of Lynda, don't think about cancer. Think of her intelligence, her hunger for learning, reading, writing letters, that wicked sense of humor and extraordinary style. Think of her cooking and delivering meals to people in need. Remember all the times she welcomed people facing misfortune and adversity into her home. Smile when you think of her untidy home and immaculate garden. She was a Certified Master Gardener and won "Yard of the Year" in 2021. Lynda commanded a room in presence and personality. She was a person for whom once you met, you'd never forget.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles E. Brown, Edna I. (Markle) Brown-Light and Richard Light; her first husband, George "Steve" Nichols; three brothers, Charles John Brown, Billy Jack Brown, and Joe Ray Brown; one sister, Mary Ann Warren; and her loving husband Earl James "Jim" Thomas.

She is survived by two sons; Marc and (Talisha) Nichols of Claremore, Oklahoma, and Brian and (Amy) Nichols of Bentonville, Arkansas; one sister, Susan and (Gary) Christensen of Grove; a niece that was like a sister, Angie Greer and grandchildren Lacey and (Nathan) Christie, Andrea Nichols, Holden

Nichols, Avery Nichols, Eldon Vincent IV, and Scarlett Vincent. She also leaves behind her second family, the Thomas family, and many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins, and a multitude of dear friends.

The family will receive friends Tuesday, June 14, from 6-8 p.m. at Nichols-Stephens Funeral Home in Grove. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, June 15, at 2 p.m. at Nichols-Stephens Funeral Home, and interment will be at Olympus Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Olympus Cemterey

Grove, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 14. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Nichols-Stephens Funeral and Cremation Service  
10201 U.S. Highway 59  
Grove, OK 74344  
(918) 786-6761  
nicholsfunerals@yahoo.com

## Funeral Service

JUN 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Nichols Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas



Nichols-Stephens Funeral & Cremation Services - June 14, 2022 at 05:21 PM



“ Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas

October 04, 2023 at 03:23 PM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.



June 15, 2022 at 11:13 AM



“ Roses For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.



June 15, 2022 at 07:39 AM

DM

“ Donna Freeman and Diann McMillan purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.



Donna Freeman and Diann McMillan - June 14, 2022 at 02:21 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.



June 14, 2022 at 01:15 PM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.



June 14, 2022 at 10:15 AM

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“ Linos and Brenda Abbott purchased the Lavender Dreams for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.



Linus and Brenda Abbott - June 13, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.*



June 13, 2022 at 02:03 PM



“ *Tom & Gloria Itsell , Kay Johnson purchased the Multicolor Pastel Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.*



**Tom & Gloria Itsell , Kay Johnson** - June 13, 2022 at 01:04 PM



“ *Cousin Janet and her family. purchased the Bountiful European Dish Garden for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.*



**Cousin Janet and her family.** - June 13, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *With love, Diana, Ferrell & Regann purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.*



**With love, Diana, Ferrell & Regann** - June 13, 2022 at 10:04 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White* was purchased for the family of Lynda J. Brown Nichols Thomas.



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June 13, 2022 at 01:40 AM