



Nancy E. Hembree "Totty"

July 15, 1957 - April 12, 2024

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Nancy E. Hembree, (formerly Totty), age 66, on Friday, April 12, 2024, in Springfield, Mo. Nancy was a beloved best friend, mom, and nana who touched the lives of all who knew her.

Nancy was born on July 15, 1957, to Jack and Jaqueline (Culp) Gunsaulus in Neosho, MO. She graduated from Ft. Scott High School, Class of 1975.

Early in her career she worked as an insurance processor at Western Insurance in Ft Scott, Ks. In 1989, Nancy and her husband moved to Grove and opened Charlie's Chicken, where she took pride in providing delicious meals to her community. Nancy was known for her dedication to her work, ability to manage multiple responsibilities with ease and her outgoing personality that made everyone feel at home.

Later in life, Nancy devoted herself to her true calling as a private caregiver. Her selfless nature and compassionate heart well equipped her to care for those in need.

Nancy's life was filled with many moments of fun and laughter and she was known for her enthusiasm for life. She enjoyed her favorite treat, chocolate, spending time in her yard, and most of all, being with her children and grandkids. Her infectious smile and energy brightened the lives of those around her.

Nancy will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and all who had the pleasure of knowing her. Her legacy of kindness and generosity will live on in

the hearts of those she touched.

She is preceded in death by father and sister, Donna Gunsauillus.

Left to cherish Nancy's memory: mother, Jaqueline Gunsauillus; daughters: Amanda Harper of Tulsa, OK, Tabby Lane (Melvin) of Ft Scott, KS, Angie Hall (Kevin) of Lawrence, KS, bonus children, Mariah Hembree Terryn Hembree and Curtis Gray; grandchildren, Braylon, Kenzie, Alec, Kayla, Josh, Mayson, Lexi (Garrett), Peyton and Sydnee; great grandchildren: Aaliyah and Aaden. Siter, Debbie Perkins (Rod) and brother, Steve Gunsauillus, all of Chanute, KS, and her closest friends, Melisa Norton and Shawna Price.

*****The family requests that donations be made towards Nancy's final expenses in lieu of flowers at : <https://checkout.square.site/merchant/ACWFYK00NGGRY/checkout/NWS2UQRS65UCMHTBIU5WAFR?t=1713033894.427225>

No memorial services are planned at this time. Private family services will be held later.

Tribute Wall

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“ Thinking of you today wishing I could still randomly run into you somewhere in Grove. My family has many sweet memories of our dinners at Charlie's Chicken. Thank you for that. Continued prayers for your family.

Dawn Threet - April 26, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy E. Hembree "Totty".



April 13, 2024 at 10:36 PM

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“ Amanda Carter and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nancy E. Hembree "Totty".

Amanda Carter and Family - April 13, 2024 at 10:36 PM

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“ My bestie...I miss you so much! She was such a blessing in my life! There was never a dull moment with her! We had so many laughs we had tears going down our face! Our favorite thing to do was hang at my house and drink margaritas and talk until midnight or later! She loved cleaning and organizing my house...her favorite thing to do! When she did our laundry you didn't want to leave money in your pocket cause she would always find it and stick it in her pocket and say "it's mine now" lol! I always fixed her hair and made her pretty when we would go out and do something and she always felt like a million dollars! I loved making her favorite desserts and snacks and always had to make extra so she could take some home! I loved it when she stayed all weekend with us and chill and have fun! She also always loved doing yard work and liked playing with fire so she would always burn stuff and made sure she had an hose out there cause she was notorious for spreading a fire so fast and couldn't get in under control she would have to call fire department. I could go on with so many stories! She was always a blessing to have around and will be missed so so much!! Love you nans!

Shawna Price - April 13, 2024 at 07:38 PM

TC

Oh dear Nancy, one of my closest friends for 20 years. I am heartbroken and devastated over losing you. We had so many things in common, how horrible our ex's were and all we went through, we shared our pain a lot but we also shared some great hilarious laughs. You always loved when I came to hang your pictures or paint your bathroom or kitchen. I loved doing those things for you. If it weren't for you I'd be dead when I got sick you MADE me go to the free clinic on Thursdays and you went with me and sat all day with me. The diagnosis wasn't good, but it did save my life going that day for sure. Thank you for that you were a great friend. There's a huge hole in my life where you were and I will miss you so much. Who's gonna give me a hard time and check on me once a week? Thank you for being my friend all these years. I love you so much.

Terri Coats - April 18, 2024 at 07:15 PM

TC

Oh Shawna I'm so sorry for your loss I know how much she loved you and your kids and how much you loved her.

Terri Coats - April 18, 2024 at 07:19 PM

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I'm absolutely devastated. She just sent me a text asking if i was ok and that i had been on her mind a lot and ut doesnt seem like that long ago! She was a pistol! Full of life, I just cant believe shes gone...my condolences to her family and friends I know she will be missed.

Lora Dailey - April 21, 2024 at 05:49 PM