



Sheri L. Sanders

November 24, 1943 - July 25, 2025

Sheri L. Sanders (White), aged 81, of Grove, OK, passed away at home surrounded by family and friends on July 25, 2025. Born on November 24, 1943, in Nowata, OK, to Pat and Frances (Rozzell) White, she was a beloved wife, mother, and Nana to a multitude of grandchildren and great-grandchildren and a beacon of warmth and kindness.

Sheri graduated from Pawhuska High School in 1962 and pursued higher education at Oklahoma State University, where she earned a Bachelor's degree in 1966 and later a Master's Degree in Home Economics in 1972. Her passion for home economics led her to a fulfilling teaching career at Grove High School immediately after her graduation until 1981 after her daughter, Rebekah, was born. After her husband passed in 1997, Sheri returned to teaching first grade at Turkey Ford School, from 1999 to 2014, impacting many lives in her strict yet loving way.

On December 5, 1975, Sheri married Richard (Dick) Sanders in Siloam Springs, AR, marking the beginning of a marriage filled, like all successful marriages, with the normal ups and downs coupled with much love and forgiveness. Sheri was a master of all things domestic: a wonderful cook, an excellent seamstress, and a warm and inviting hostess to all. She loved welcoming company into her home, always ensuring everyone felt loved and cared for. Her grandchildren were the joy of her life, and she cherished every

moment spent with them.

Sheri was a devout follower of Christ and a member of Mountain Movers Church. Her faith in Christ was the cornerstone of her life, guiding her through her various roles as an educator, wife, mother, and friend.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Richard (Dick) Sanders.

She leaves behind a legacy left to cherish: daughters Elizabeth Lewis and her husband, David, of Claremore, OK, Rebekah Russell and her husband, Josh, of Grove, sons, Ricardo Sanders and his wife, Maureen, of Rhoadseville, VA and Paul Sanders and his wife, Fabiola, of Grove. She also leaves behind a legacy of 11 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 5pm-7pm Tuesday, July 29, at Nichols-Stephens Funeral Service. Funeral services will be at 10am Wednesday, July 30, 2025, at Mountain Movers Church in Wyandotte, OK. Burial to follow at Mt. Herman Cemetery, Jay, OK.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Convoy of Hope at Mountain Mover Church, a cause close to Sheri's heart.

Cemetery Details

Mt Herman Cemetery

Jay, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

JUL **30**. 10:00 AM.

Mountain Movers Church

Tribute Wall



“ Nichols Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Sheri L. Sanders



Nichols-Stephens Funeral & Cremation Services - July 29, 2025 at 02:42 PM

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“ I had Home Economics in 72 with Sherri. She was always patient in teaching. When I needed help making a suit for my husband to be, I called and she helped. I got the suit finished and it looked so good. She will be missed. Much love and prayers to her family.

Carol Wentworth Melcolm - November 07, 2025 at 05:29 PM

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“ Sherry was a virtuous woman, a great preacher's wife, evangelist and lover of people. I knew her and loved her over 40 years. We had alot of history with her in church and working the thrift store. "She would always acknowledge me as Susan Vaught. What a great smile and hospitality she had!

Susan Vaught - July 29, 2025 at 11:45 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sheri L. Sanders.



July 26, 2025 at 11:08 PM



“ Mrs. White-Sanders as we called her in high school was a great teacher and a very kind person. I spent four years with her in school and enjoyed every moment. I loved running into her in Grove years later, she would always love on me and tell me she was proud of me. I will cherish my memories of her, until we meet again.

Charlene Carter - July 26, 2025 at 08:29 PM



So sorry for your loss! During school her name was Miss White, Then Mrs. Sanders. Then as adult Sheri. Lots of memories of Sheri both as a teacher and a friend. I enjoyed visiting with her when I would pick up my pants she shortened for me. She was a special lady that will be missed.

Penny Clem - July 26, 2025 at 10:56 PM



Sheri was one of the first friends I made when I moved to Grove. She was one of the teachers who lived at Barker's resort. She was a wonderful teacher and friend. We were in Young Homemakers of Oklahoma together. She was a great seamstress and made alterations for my girls clothes, as well as helped me with babysitting from time to time. I was always in awe of all her gifts and talents. She was a beautiful soul and will be greatly missed. Hugs and prayers to her family. Sheila Chancellor Bridgwater

Sheila Bridgwater - July 28, 2025 at 08:50 AM