



Susan Black

February 25, 1950 - December 11, 2020

Susan Black, age 70, of Grove, OK went home to be with the Lord on December 11, 2020, surrounded by family at her home. She was born February 25, 1950 in Bartlesville, OK to Thomas James (Jim) Tayrien and Dorothy (Jeane) Evans. She is survived by her husband of 26 years, Ken Black, son Ryan and wife Katy Baldrachi of Oklahoma City, daughter Lisa Barnes and grandson Tegan of Owasso, OK, brother Bill Tayrien, sister Vicky Gaines and husband, Jim, James and Janet Black, Donna and Arthur Howe of Colorado as well as several nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents and sister Kathy Barnhart, brother Tommy Tayrien Jr. and niece Shawn Tayrien.

Susan grew up in Okesa, OK attending a 2 room schoolhouse before moving to Bartlesville where she graduated from College High School in 1968. She married Mike Baldrachi in 1969 and had two children, Ryan and Lisa. She enjoyed family trips, including weekends at Grand Lake and fishing trips to Canada.

Susan moved to Colorado in 1994 and married Ken Black. She was active in church and volunteered with her husband in the Gideon ministry, helping distribute thousands of copies of God's Word after the Columbine High School shootings. She served as the Vice President of their family business, Macdonald Equipment Company, and was instrumental in bringing an international APWA (American Public Works Association) convention to Denver in 1999. She also helped form an education foundation for the same

group. Susan was a leader in a task force to change rental taxation methods throughout Colorado in the equipment road and construction industry. This later became a model and has now been implemented in other states across the nation. Susan and Ken later moved to Grove, OK to live on Grand Lake. She remained active in her church and the Gideon ministry and became a leader in Stephen Ministry and Bible Study Fellowship. A tireless volunteer, she gave her time working at the Grove Hospital, Christian Help Center, Thrift Store, and Rivers of Life. She loved to drive shut-ins and others to medical appointments and wherever they needed help. Susan used her God given beautiful voice to sing at many activities and churches.

Susan traveled to South Africa with IMD, an international ministry, to help build a church and spread the gospel. She loved fishing, traveling with Ken, spending time with family and friends, sitting on the back deck overlooking the lake, and going for relaxing boat rides during the early evening hours. Susan was a survivor of breast cancer, never complaining and even helping others through their treatments. She had a contagious laugh and smile and was loved by so many. Most of all she loved the Lord.

Susan was proud of her heritage as a member of the Osage Indian tribe. We are grateful to all the medical staff and to Good Shephard Hospice for the love and care they gave Susan as she battled these diseases. We thank God for answered prayers from all over the world for her complete and total healing as she has now gone home to her reward.

Viewing is Dec. 16 from 5-7 PM at Nichols Funeral Home, 10201 US 59, Grove, OK. A celebration of Life service will be held Thursday, Dec. 17, 10 AM at First Christian Church, 102 W 4th St, Grove, OK. Burial will be Dec. 17 at approximately 2:30 PM at Pawhuska City Cemetery, 600 W 11th St, Pawhuska, OK. The family is appreciative of all the cards from all over the world and the Gideon Bibles given in Susan's memory.

Susan had requested in lieu of flowers Gideon Bibles be given in her memory. Donations may be sent to The Gideons International, Delaware County Camp, P.O. Box 453082, Grove, OK 74345-3082.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 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

DEC 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church
Grove, OK

Tribute Wall



“ Nichols Funeral & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Susan Black



Nichols-Stephens Funeral & Cremation Services - December 16, 2020 at 03:46 PM



“ Susan Black

October 04, 2023 at 03:23 PM



“ Penny Clem lit a candle in memory of Susan Black



Penny Clem - December 17, 2020 at 05:49 PM



So sorry for your loss. Prayers of comfort and peace during this difficult time.

Penny Clem - December 17, 2020 at 05:50 PM

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“ Love Donna and Art Howe purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Susan Black.



Love Donna and Art Howe - December 16, 2020 at 12:15 AM



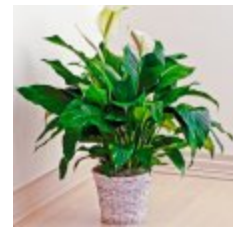
“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Susan Black.



December 15, 2020 at 04:32 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Susan Black.



December 14, 2020 at 05:40 PM