



## Grace Thompson

January 2, 1936 - March 30, 2024

Grace Thompson, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 30th at the age of 88. Her life was a testament to love, gratitude, and generosity, leaving a lasting mark on all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Born on January 2, 1936 in Tahlequah, OK, Grace embraced life with an unwavering spirit of warmth and compassion. She dedicated her life to nurturing her family and cultivating a deep bond that will endure through generations.

In high school, while working the counter of a local drive-in, Grace met the love of her life, Vernon, a local college student. Their love lasted a lifetime and was tragically cut short when Vernon lost his life in a 1983 car accident.

Grace's greatest joy was found in the company of her family. Whether gathered around the dinner table, sharing laughter over breakfast waffles, or cheering one of her favorite college football teams, Grace cherished every moment spent with her loved ones. Her kindness and gentle presence brought comfort and strength to those around her, leaving an unforgettable legacy of love.

Grace's home was her Happy Place, particularly in her cherished garden. With a green thumb and a tender heart, she tended to her plants and flowers with love and dedication. She found beauty in simplicity. She could be equally fascinated by her flowers' growth and entertained by the birds and squirrels who found sanctuary in her backyard. This beauty and simplicity reflected her

own inner grace.

First Baptist Church Broken Arrow was Grace's faith community and, for years, she was a dedicated volunteer at Arms Around Broken Arrow where she put her faith into practice caring for members of her community. An avid reader, she loved her weekly trips to the library where her librarian friends would often hold books they knew Grace would love.

Grace will be deeply missed by her devoted children Mike (Ron), David, Don (Gigi), her loving grandchildren Parker, Presleigh, McKinzie, Samantha, Paige, and Beau, and beloved sister, Loretta Keller (Alan), and all those who had the privilege of knowing her. Though she may have left this world, her spirit will live on in the countless lives she touched with her love, kindness, and generosity.

A celebration of Grace's life will be held at 11:00am on Thursday, April 4th at Hayhurst Funeral Home in Broken Arrow, OK.

In her final journey, Grace leaves behind a legacy of love that will continue to inspire and uplift all who follow in her footsteps. May her soul find eternal peace, knowing she was cherished and loved beyond measure.

# Cemetery Details

## Tahlequah Cemetery

Tahlequah, OK

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

APR 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
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# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Video Tribute*



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - April 08, 2024 at 11:29 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Funeral Service*



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - April 05, 2024 at 03:13 PM

LC

“ *Grace was an Oasis friend from FBCBA of mine..we've missed her in our class the last few yrs but know she was where she needed to be and now she is with the Lord..I hope God comforts your heart and gives you precious memories of your time with her..love and prayers. Linda Carroll*

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**linda carroll** - April 03, 2024 at 05:38 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Grace Thompson.*



April 03, 2024 at 03:23 PM



“ *David and George planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Thompson.*

David and George - April 03, 2024 at 03:23 PM



“ *I didn't have the pleasure of meeting Grace. However, I do count Mike and Loretta as good friends. I can't begin to fathom what it feels to lose a mother or sister. There is no one way to grieve. Just remember, give yourself time, space, and the grace you would give another. Remember to celebrate the life she lived and the unconditional love she shared with you. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Shevaun*

Shevaun Etier - April 03, 2024 at 01:03 PM



“ *Shevaun E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Thompson.*

Shevaun E. - April 03, 2024 at 12:54 PM



“ *Daniel G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Thompson.*

Daniel G. - April 02, 2024 at 01:47 PM

LG

“ Lake Regional Gastro purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Grace Thompson.



Lake Regional Gastro - April 02, 2024 at 01:18 PM

LG

“ Lake Regional Gastro planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Thompson.

Lake Regional Gastro - April 02, 2024 at 01:18 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Grace Thompson.



April 02, 2024 at 11:51 AM

NW

“ Nancy Jean Kimery and Robert Williams purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Grace Thompson.



Nancy Jean Kimery and Robert Williams - April 01, 2024 at 07:35 PM

TS

“ Thom Wyatt and Derek Seder purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Grace Thompson.



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**Thom Wyatt and Derek Seder** - April 01, 2024 at 06:54 PM

TS

“ Thom Wyatt and Derek Seder planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Thompson.

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**Thom Wyatt and Derek Seder** - April 01, 2024 at 06:54 PM

BD

“ Dearest Grace, I have never met you personally, but I do know Mike and thus I know you well. I know the kind of person you are, filled with love, caring, kindness and inclusiveness, that your beautiful energy radiated from you, you brought smiles, laughter and joy to the world. Thank you for giving Mike all that you are, have been and will always be. Rest in peace and sending my love to you, your family and friends, Bill

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**Bill Duffy** - April 01, 2024 at 02:54 PM

WR

“ William R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Thompson.

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**William R.** - April 01, 2024 at 02:47 PM

AK

“ Ann and Kathryn purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Grace Thompson.



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**Ann and Kathryn** - April 01, 2024 at 02:13 PM

WD

“ With my deepest sympathies, Kerry Deal purchased the *Full Of Love Bouquet* for the family of Grace Thompson.



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**With my deepest sympathies, Kerry Deal** - April 01, 2024 at 02:05 PM

BC

“ Board of Directors of the LGBTQ Center purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Grace Thompson.



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**Board of Directors of the LGBTQ Center** - April 01, 2024 at 01:51 PM

JS

“ James S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Grace Thompson.

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**James S.** - April 01, 2024 at 12:52 PM



LK

“ Loretta K. purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Grace Thompson.



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**Loretta K.** - April 01, 2024 at 12:28 PM



“ Garden of Sweet Memories Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Grace Thompson.



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April 01, 2024 at 12:19 PM

HH

“ It is our honor and privilege to serve the Thompson family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Grace.



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - March 31, 2024 at 10:42 AM