



Sherry Gildehaus

April 2, 1946 - November 13, 2023

Sherry (Bland) Gildehaus was born on April 2, 1946 in Enid Oklahoma, the daughter of Dwain Bland and Stella (Boyd) Bland. She unexpectedly passed from this life on November 13, 2023 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She was 77 years of age.

Sherry grew up in Enid and graduated from Enid High School in 1964. In a bold move, she went back to school later in life to further her education at University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, Oklahoma. She received her degree in Biology.

Sherry met the love of her life, Brian Gildehaus and they married in Houston Texas in 1986. In Houston, she worked in executive positions for Marsh McClellan Insurance. In 2000, Brian and Sherry moved to Tulsa to be closer to family, then their life really changed in 2011 when they moved to the golf course of The Club of Indian Springs. This is where they built an amazing group of friends that she referred to as her family. She was highly involved in many activities which included golfing, gardening, interior home decorating, playing couples bridge and volunteering for the C.G.A. Board. She loved hosting parties, especially outdoor gatherings on her amazing back patio. Her infectious smile and laughter were always the life of the party. She would never back down from a controversial conversation and she always held her ground even if her opinions were not popular. She was always on the go

between Tulsa, Houston, Colorado and Palm Springs. She loved living life to the fullest and finding joy in every day.

She also loved spending time and traveling with her daughter and grandchildren. She never turned down an opportunity to watch Adyson dance, play softball, take her shopping or answer Ellie and Grace's many questions. The mutual admiration and love between her and her grandchildren was unwavering

Sherry made an impact in every life that she touched. Sherry will be missed by those that were fortunate enough to have known her.

She is survived by:

Husband: Brian Gildehaus

Daughter: Chantell Preston and partner, Jennifer Piwonka

Son: Steve and wife, Michelle Preston

Grandchildren: Adyson Preston, Corey Preston, Nicole Preston, Ellie Piwonka, Grace Piwonka

She was preceded by her parents, Dwain and Stella Bland

Memorials in Sherry's name can be sent to the Tulsa SPCA. <https://www.tulsa-sPCA.org/>

Previous Events

Reception

DEC **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

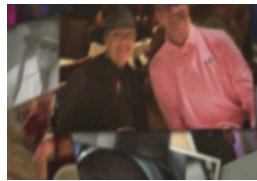
Indian Springs Country Club
16006 E. 131st St. S.
Broken Arrow, OK 74011

This is a come and go reception honoring the life of Sherry...

Tribute Wall



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Hayhurst Funeral Home - December 10, 2023 at 10:37 AM

LD

“ Love, Michael and Anjana Duff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sherry Gildehaus.

Love, Michael and Anjana Duff - December 07, 2023 at 05:00 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sherry Gildehaus.



December 07, 2023 at 05:00 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sherry Gildehaus.



November 18, 2023 at 11:42 AM

YF

“ Your Corient/RGT Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sherry Gildehaus.

Your Corient/RGT Family - November 16, 2023 at 01:18 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sherry Gildehaus.



November 16, 2023 at 01:18 PM

FP

“ I had only briefly met Sherry on a couple of occasions but was impressed with her pleasant demeanor and smile. Sincere and heart felt condolences to Brian and the family.
Fred Perry

Fred Perry - November 16, 2023 at 10:47 AM

MV

“ Mike and Lettie Vellano planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sherry Gildehaus.

Mike and Lettie Vellano - November 16, 2023 at 10:23 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Sherry Gildehaus.



November 16, 2023 at 10:23 AM

BT

“ Bill & Marcia Thutchley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sherry Gildehaus.

Bill & Marcia Thutchley - November 14, 2023 at 11:06 PM

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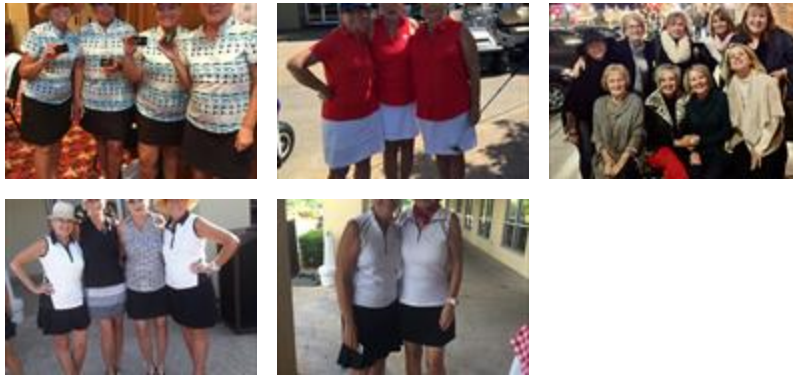
“ Bill & Marcia Thutchley purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sherry Gildehaus.



Bill & Marcia Thutchley - November 14, 2023 at 11:06 PM



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Hayhurst Funeral Home - November 14, 2023 at 09:54 PM

LB

“ *My deepest sympathies to Brian, Chantell, Addison, Steven, Michelle and all of the family. Sherry was my only female cousin on the Bland side and there are very few of us left. My thoughts and prayers for all! I know she will be missed so much.*



Lisa Bland-Selix - November 14, 2023 at 09:44 PM

MI

It is with deepest sympathy that a loved Mother, wife, and special friend passes too soon. May she rest in peace and love. Mary Jo Isler

Mary Jo Isler - November 15, 2023 at 10:38 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sherry Gildehaus.*



November 13, 2023 at 08:38 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Hayhurst Funeral Home - November 13, 2023 at 05:29 PM



“ *It is our honor and privilege to serve the Gildehaus family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Sherry.* ”

Hayhurst Funeral Home - November 13, 2023 at 03:36 PM