



## Wanda Lee Bowline

June 28, 1926 - March 17, 2016

Services for Wanda Bowline have been scheduled for 2:00 PM, Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at Hayhurst Funeral Home Chapel in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

Wanda Lee Bowline was born on Monday, June 28, 1926 in Tulsa, Oklahoma the daughter of Oliver Clyde and Lillian Alpha (Dotson) Ledbetter. Wanda died on Thursday, March 17, 2016 in Norman, Oklahoma. She was 89 years of age.

Wanda attended Claremore schools and almost graduated from Will Rogers High School, but was always determined and did get her GED much later in life. She married Herman "Tony" Bowline on July 31, 1943 in Coweta, Oklahoma. Wanda and Tony resided in Broken Arrow for more than fifty years. Tony and Wanda owned the Lynn Lane Grocery at 11th & Lynn Lane for 2 ½ years. They moved to 131st & Tulsa County Line in 1959, where they owned Bowline Grocery Store for 19 ½ years. The store was often referred to as Bowline Oklahoma. Population 27 was posted on the sign (which were supposed to be the number of dogs in the area). One side of the sign said "Entering Bowline, Oklahoma" & the other side of the sign said "Leaving Bowline Oklahoma". Wanda was a member of the Eastern Star. She attended the Church of Christ & the Weer Church in Broken Arrow. Memorials may be made to the Broken Arrow Historical Society.

<http://www.brokenarrowmuseum.org/donate.html>

Wanda is survived by Daughter, Gail Ann Bowline of Addison, TX

Son, Charles Anthony Bowline and wife Darlene of Norman, OK

Sisters, Dorothy Hackenberger of Adair, OK and Barbara Beaman and husband Alan of Hatherleigh, England, Brother-in-law and sister-in-law Ray and Bille Bowline of Broken Arrow,

and many loved nieces & nephews and all of their children she loved as her own.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Tony in May 1992 and her daughter, Penny Embrey in May 2008.

In November 2004, Wanda moved to Norman Oklahoma so she would be close to Charlie & Darlene and a closer commute for Gail.

Wanda spent time with her companion & long-time family friend, Ernest Jones. Ernest lived in Pleasanton, California. The two traveled on several trips to Hawaii & multiple cruises, enjoying the good life until he passed away in May 2006.

Wanda loved her family & her friends & her precious grand dogs, "Smarty" & "Tony the Terrible", and "the smartest dog in the world, Spanky". She worked very hard at the grocery store to provide for her family their every wish and loved to shop. Wanda was the best cook in Broken Arrow. No one ever went to her house and did not eat. She had over 30 people for dinner on many occasions and no one ever left hungry.

These last few years, Wanda was a surrogate mother for many of Gail's

friends & she loved them all dearly. For the most part, she was always willing & ready to go anywhere with anybody. Gail & Wanda spent many happy weekends at Lake Texoma.

She loved collecting photographs of her family and friends. She loved going to Las Vegas, betting on long shots at the horse track, going to Oaklawn Park in Hot Springs, Arkansas, Remington Park, Arlington Park in Chicago, Louisiana Downs, New Orleans Fairgrounds and especially to see Brother Brown race when the whole family got together & had so much fun!

Wanda, you made a place in many hearts that will miss you everyday until we all meet again.

Daily Guidance from God #342 by Trevor Winchell:

However, as it is written: "What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived" the things God has prepared for those who love him. 1 Corinthians 2:9

No matter how chaotic the past has been, the future is a clean, fresh, wide open slate that has been prepared for you by God. You are not your past habits. You are not your past failures. You are not how others have at one time treated you. You are what God has created you to be. He wants you to be happy, peaceful and completely free. God can pull you out of any situation that is not a part of His plan according to His will. He can show you a glimpse of what lies ahead, but you have to be willing to let go of what you're hanging on to. The path He has established is right in front of you, but you must have faith and allow Him to guide your steps. Once you take that leap of faith, you will never have to look back so that you can focus on God and where he is leading you.

LET'S PRAY: Dear Heavenly Father, I know today is the day I have been waiting for. The time for my transformation and my restoration begins today. I know that You have started working in my favor. Lord, I know that You will wipe every tear from my eyes, and this brings me great joy already. Now is the time You will restore all that I have lost, and transform my life according to your will. Lord, I know that You are making things happen in Your time, and I am still, trusting in You for I know that You are God. In the name of Your Son Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

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# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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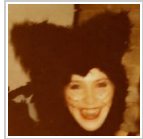
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Wanda Lee Bowline*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *Scherlyn Black Harris lit a candle in memory of Wanda Lee Bowline*



Scherlyn Black Harris - March 24, 2016 at 01:02 AM



*LOVW YOU WANDA...*

Lonnie twohands Sellers - April 26, 2020 at 11:32 AM

JR

“ Charlie, Gail, and all the family,  
So sorry for your loss of this beautiful lady. Wanda was my "away from home" momma, when I was young, because, generally, when I was away from home, I was with Penny and, or at her house. I remember many cakes and pies that Penny and I would get up in the middle of night, and eat. The next morning, Tony would always take the wrap! I can't even count the many times Wanda's sweetness was our discipline, when she probably should have used a belt to deal with our shenanigans. The thing that stands out the most about Wanda is her perfectly manicured nails and always looking like she was ready to go out. Another thing was her Lincoln Continental, better known as "The Green Bomb" to Penny and me. I drove my old Plymouth 3 days a week, but on the other 2 days of school, we arrived, in style, in Wanda's Lincoln. When we would get home on those days, Wanda would come out of the store and do her "walk-a-round" searching for damage that might have occurred while in Penny's possession. Little did she know that the most of any damage we did to that poor vehicle, was done to the insides. Getting it to top speed and slamming on the brakes to see how fast we could stop; fying over the little bridge on 121st street, coming down with a thud, in an effort to make curfew; packing up to 15 kids in it at a time, some hanging off the sides and dragging main!!! All of these mistreatments of that beautiful car more than likely contributed to it's need for new shocks, break jobs, and worn out tires. No matter what we put her through, Wanda never lost her cool. Always loving, always giving, always "Sweet Wanda". A great Mom, a great Lady!.....Much, much love, Judy (Moore) Roberts

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**Judy (Moore) Roberts** - March 23, 2016 at 12:17 PM

GB

*Thank you Judy.*

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**gail bowline** - March 23, 2016 at 07:59 PM

CP

“ Cheryl Paige purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.



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**Cheryl Paige** - March 22, 2016 at 10:32 AM

LW

“ Love, Robin and Wally purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.



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**Love, Robin and Wally** - March 21, 2016 at 05:46 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.



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March 21, 2016 at 04:23 PM

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“ Linda, Sandra and Murietta (Ledbetter) purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.



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**Linda, Sandra and Murietta (Ledbetter)** - March 21, 2016 at 04:07 PM

SD

“ Sincere condolences to the family. I did not know Wanda, but I do know her daughter Gail, so i know Wanda must be a wonderful one of a kind type person. I enjoyed seeing pictures of Gail and Wanda on Facebook and am glad they shared many happy times. With prayers and sympathy, Shelley Dawson

Shelley Dawson - March 21, 2016 at 02:02 PM

GB

Thank you Shelley.

gail bowline - March 23, 2016 at 08:02 PM

GC

“ George, Janna, Sam and Ali Cornelius purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.



George, Janna, Sam and Ali Cornelius - March 21, 2016 at 11:10 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.



March 21, 2016 at 11:04 AM

TS

“ *The Woods, Toni, Debbie and Shonna purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.*



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**The Woods, Toni, Debbie and Shonna** - March 21, 2016 at 01:35 AM

TF

“ *Terri Terrell and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.*



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**Terri Terrell and Family** - March 20, 2016 at 10:02 PM

BB

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Barbara Beaman** - March 20, 2016 at 03:22 PM

TA

“ *The Long Family - Bonnie, Tim, and Andra purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.*



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**The Long Family - Bonnie, Tim, and Andra** - March 19, 2016 at 04:26 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Wanda Lee Bowline.*



March 19, 2016 at 06:09 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - March 18, 2016 at 04:49 PM

SR

*I didn't get to see you that often but I so miss you!*

*Sue Raby Mitcham*

**Sue Raby** - March 20, 2016 at 01:43 PM

HH

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



**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - March 18, 2016 at 10:56 AM



“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - March 17, 2016 at 03:13 PM