



## Jeri Dawn Finch

August 7, 1974 - May 9, 2015

Jeri Dawn Finch was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma on August 7, 1974 to Jerry and Sharon Colson. She passed away on Saturday, May 9, 2015 at her home in Henryetta, surrounded by loving family.

Jeri was a teacher in Preston, and had also taught in Henryetta and Morris. She was known for being a tough competitive cheerleading coach, and for her sharp humor and cutting wit. She was an active member of the Little Coweta Baptist Church and loved OSU football, but most importantly, anything her kids were doing.

Jeri is preceded in death by her grandparents, Walter and Goldie Flippin and Charles and Nellie Colson, father-in-law, Robert Finch, and nephew, Brice Edwards.

Jeri is survived by her husband of twenty years, Mike Finch, and her four beloved children: Rayvin Finch, Ryn Finch, Pheoby Finch, and Pheonix Finch, all of the home, parents, Jerry and Sharon Colson of Terlton, three brothers: Darren Edwards of Terlton, Brian Edwards of Sand Springs, and Kevin Smith of Arizona, as well as two sisters: Vicki Glad of Moore and Leslie Clark of Sallisaw. She is also survived by her mother-in-law, Kay Finch, of Okmulgee and brother-in-law, Phillip Finch of Okmulgee, along with a host of nieces and nephews, and innumerable friends.

Funeral services for Jeri will be held at 1:00 P.M. on Friday, May 15, 2015 at the First Baptist Church of Okmulgee, with Pastor Dustin Tidwell officiating. Serving as casketbearers will be Darren Edwards, Brian Edwards, Quinn

Edwards, Jimmy Davis, Heath Davis, and Zack Davis. Honorary casketbearers will be Kevin Smith, Brian Morphis, and Phillip Finch. Friends may visit the funeral home on Thursday from 5:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to McClendon-Winters Funeral Home, Okmulgee.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAY **14.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee

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## Funeral Service

MAY **15.** 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Okmulgee

311 W. 5th Street

Okmulgee, OK

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jeri Dawn Finch*

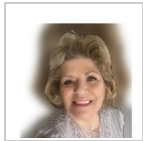
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“ *Sandy Henry lit a candle in memory of Jeri Dawn Finch*



Sandy Henry - May 16, 2015 at 01:58 AM



“ *My love and prayers are sent to Jeri Finch's family. I'm so sorry for your loss. I pray God will give you comfort and peace. Jeri is praising God with the Angels in Heaven.*



Debbie Christian Gregory - May 15, 2015 at 08:44 AM



“ *Greg & Cindy Rector lit a candle in memory of Jeri Dawn Finch*



Greg & Cindy Rector - May 14, 2015 at 07:47 PM

LS

“ I will be saying prayers for the family and friends during this time. May God's peace comfort you and soon you will remember just the good times with a smile.

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**Linda Smith** - May 13, 2015 at 01:49 PM

 Bryan  
Leader

“ The most recent, and biggest, impact she made on me was talking to me about becoming teacher. I told her that I had decided to make my major math education. Playingly, she said "you know my feelings on becoming a teacher". We messaged a bit more about this and that, but at the end of the conversation she, in short, told me to follow my heart, do what God had called me to do, and gave me some kind words of encouragement. She may have not shown her love for her students the way that most teachers do, but she showed that she truly cared by preparing us for the future and motivating us to be the best we can be. I have written about her in many of my education courses, giving her tremendous amounts of credit for me being who I am today and going down the path that I am. I never told her, but she definitely had the biggest teacher impact on me in my middle and high school years. I can only hope and pray to be half the educator, parent, and/or coach that that she was. My heart goes out to all of the family and anyone who truly had the honor and privilege of knowing Mrs. Jeri Finch. God bless.

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**Bryan Leader** - May 12, 2015 at 06:05 PM

Dan  
Hull

“ WE WILL MISS YOUR BRIGHT SHINING LIGHT...LOVE AND PRAYERS FROM ALL THE TEXAS FINCH CLAN .....GO POKES..



Dan Hull - May 12, 2015 at 04:30 PM

BT

“ *Bobbie&Larry Thomasson lit a candle in memory of Jeri Dawn Finch*



Bobbie&Larry thomasson - May 12, 2015 at 04:11 PM

VP

“ *Jeri's energy and smile was contagious. She definitely lit up a room when she was in it. She will be missed but never forgotten. Jeri has touched so many lives and I believe we are all better people for knowing her. Prayers and condolences to her husband, children and family. RIP Jeri. We love you.*  
*Virginia Patterson-Scott*

Virginia Patterson-Scott - May 12, 2015 at 03:44 PM

RM

“ *Jeri, you were such an inspiration to us all. I will never forget that beautiful and wonderful smile. Our hearts go out to Mike and the children. Love Jesse and Regina Markum*

Regina Markum - May 12, 2015 at 02:56 PM

TA

“ *Mrs. Finch was a one of a kind. She was an incredible teacher. She not only taught the kids math; she taught them to respect themselves, as well as numerous other valuable life lessons. My heart goes out to her precious family. I pray they know the inspiration this woman was to many people. Tammy Story*

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**Tammy** - May 12, 2015 at 08:44 AM

KH

“ *Her strength, kindness, wittiness and the love she had for her family gives great inspiration to others. She was greatly loved and will be missed. Prayers for strength and comfort for your family. With love Mack, Trena, Racquel, Joey, Alexis, Gracie*



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**katrena horton** - May 11, 2015 at 05:00 PM

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“ *Her smile will always be remembered. Prayers for strength and peace. Mark & Tammie*

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**tammie hiatt** - May 10, 2015 at 09:13 PM