



## Shawn Dee Godfrey

May 8, 1956 - August 17, 2023

Shawn Dee Godfrey passed from this life to her eternal home, in Heaven, on Aug. 17th, 2023. Shawn was born in Okmulgee, OK to George Carl and Betty Jean Smith on May 8th, 1956. Shawn graduated from Okmulgee High School. She was a small-town girl with a close-knit, loving family, and strong friendship ties. These deep roots are what formed her honesty, compassion, and her integrity throughout her lifetime.

Shawn's restaurant career started locally and eventually took her to Tulsa, OK and the Dallas, Texas area, but because of her love of tropical places, she moved to Hawaii for ten years. She then moved back to southern California where she worked for Las Brisa's Restaurant in Laguna Beach. There she was promoted to General Manager of Topas Café, Bowers Museum, and Kachina Restaurant. Shawn built many lifelong friendships. Her fun loving and sweet personality attracted lifelong friends wherever she lived. After losing her dad in 1996, Shawn decided to move closer to her family, to help care for her mom, Betty Jean, brother Eric and sister Carla. She made her home in the Fort Worth area.

Shawn became the Manager of Hooters Restaurant in North Richland Hills, Texas for many years. Her employees affectionately called her "Mama Shawn".

Shawn was also a founding member of The Patriots Motorcycle Club in Texas. By 2013, Shawn had returned to Okmulgee, OK to help take care of her mother Betty Jean in the later years of her life. Around this time, Shan noticed

a handsome man mowing the lawn adjoining her mom's back yard. Shawn loved gardening and would see the man next door and wave. They finally introduced themselves and soon were sharing kisses and "fence dating". A true love story was born.

Shawn and Raymond dated for the next two years and on November 25th, 2017, became husband and wife, to which they made their home in Okmulgee. Shawn and Raymond loved to travel, garden, camp at all the local lakes, fish, and take care of their pets, Scooter & Mia.

Shawn was known to enjoy a little gambling at the casino, hoping to hit the "Big One" on the penny slot machines. It is with a heavy heart we say, "Until we meet again". It is not the length of life, but depth of life. She jumped into life and never touched the bottom.

Shawn will be remembered for her infectious laugh, her radiant smile, and her pure sweetness to every life she touched. Shawn is survived by her husband, Raymond, of the home, brother, Eric Smith of Wylie Texas, sister, Carla Jean Smith of Okmulgee, special niece, Shayleigh Smith of Wylie Texas, nephew, Garrett Smith and wife Tina of Okmulgee, niece, Randi Snyder and husband Allen of Okmulgee, OK, niece, Lindsay Briscoe and husband Tyler of Dallas, TX, and many friends.

Thank you, Carol and Lori, for being her special friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held 3:00 P.M. Friday, August 25, 2023, at the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home Chapel.

Cremation arrangements have been entrusted to McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. Memories, condolences, photos and videos may be shared with the family on Shawn's Tribute Page of our website. [www.mcclendon-winters.com](http://www.mcclendon-winters.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

AUG 25. 3:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - Okmulgee

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# Tribute Wall



“ McClendon-Winters Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Shawn Dee Godfrey



McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - August 23, 2023 at 11:10 AM

CB

*Very beautiful. She always had a smile* ❤️

Cheryl Bobo - August 23, 2023 at 05:37 PM

DB

*She passed a very happy and beautiful woman, rest in peace* 🙏

Donna Berumen - September 20, 2023 at 06:28 AM

KA

“ Kim Angle lit a candle in memory of Shawn Dee Godfrey



Kim Angle - November 29, 2023 at 09:19 AM



“ *Southern Magnolia Tree was purchased for the family of Shawn Dee Godfrey.*



August 25, 2023 at 05:11 PM



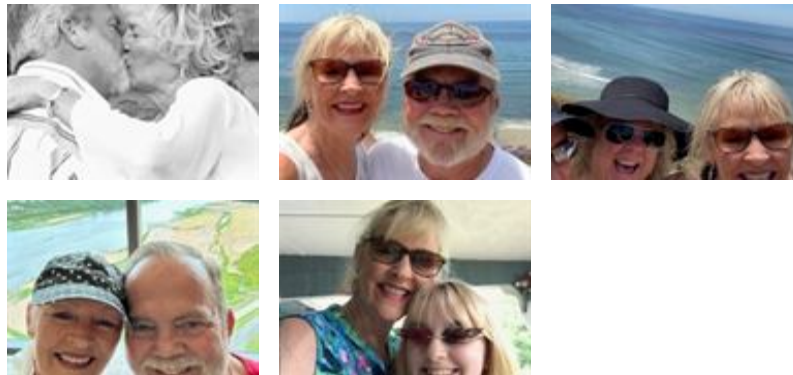
“ *Raymond.... You are in our thoughts and prayers! Praying for peace and comfort for you and Shawn's family!*  
*Kenny and Debbie Hamon*



**Kenny and Debbie Hamon** - August 23, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *131 files added to the album LifeTributes*



**McClendon-Winters Funeral Home** - August 23, 2023 at 11:09 AM

JC

“ You for sure are a bright light in my memories of our days working together in the Okmulgee High School cafeteria, I have loved you every day since and it does not end now. My love for you is eternal. Rest now Sister. R.I.P

Shawn! 🙏❤️🌹

My condolences to Ray. and to all who love you. ❤️



Janneth Cheadle-Ware - August 22, 2023 at 11:47 PM

LO

“ 3 files added to the album Friendships ??



Lori Oberg - August 22, 2023 at 09:13 PM

LO

She blessed my life by being in it. . .❤️.

Lori Oberg - August 22, 2023 at 09:46 PM

CB

“ Many prayers to you Raymond. I am truly sorry for loss. I pray for peace and guidance in the days ahead. Just know she is your guardian angel watching over you. She will be dearly missed by all 🙏



Cheryl Bobo - August 22, 2023 at 06:35 PM

LM

“ *Have a lot of good memories of Shaun and her mother, Good friend of mine for many years..*

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**Lois McLeod** - August 22, 2023 at 05:58 PM