



Tammie Sue Haynes

August 11, 1963 - February 8, 2023

Tammie Sue Haynes of Willis, Texas passed away on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at the age of 59 in Twin Hills, Oklahoma. She was born to Jimmy and Betty (Souders) Haynes in Okmulgee, Oklahoma on August 11, 1963.

Tammie started school in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma and graduated from Morris High School in 1981. She continued her education at Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas, receiving a bachelor's degree in International Relations in 1985. Tammie spent her junior year of college in Nice, France as the first foreign exchange student from Hendrix College, where she became fluent in French. She attended law school at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., receiving her Juris Doctorate in 1988.

Upon completing law school, she moved to Houston, Texas where she went to work as a corporate attorney for Baker Botts. She later was corporate counsel for Great Lakes Carbon. From there, she went to work for Bill Koch at Oxbow Corporation. After retiring from Oxbow Corporation in 2013, she performed volunteer work as a mediator for Montgomery County, Texas.

Tammie was an accomplished English dressage rider who also owned and operated a horse stable in Spring, Texas for many years.

Another of her interests was writing. As a child, she always wrote poetry and

short stories. As an adult, she attended the renowned creative writing program at the University of Iowa and became a published author on subjects ranging from gardening to political articles that were published on TheHill.com.

Starting in college, Tammie became an enthusiastic world traveler and visited 63 countries and every continent except for Antarctica. When the Covid pandemic limited travel destinations, she found Africa was easier to access and subsequently made many trips to various countries and destinations in Africa. Tammie especially loved the African photo safari trips and took thousands of beautiful wildlife photographs. She had just recently met her goal of being welcomed into the Million Mile Club with United Airlines.

She is survived by her parents Jim and Betty, her English Bulldog Jackson, sister Kimberly Haynes-Neill and husband Robby, nephews Matthew Britt and Weston Britt and wife Danielle, aunts Lola Taylor, Sara Denham, uncle Paul Souders and wife Thelma, and numerous cousins.

She is preceded in death by her grandparents Clifford Haynes, Mary Haynes, James W. Souders, Sula Souders, Ruby Souders, uncles Robert Leon Haynes, Donald Leroy Haynes and aunt Dona Connell.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 15, 2023, at the Beggs First Assembly of God Church with Pastor Robert Yandell officiating. Interment will immediately follow at the Okmulgee Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. Memories, condolences, photos and videos may be shared with the family on Tammie's Tribute Page of our website at www.mcclendon-winters.com

Cemetery Details

Okmulgee Cemetery

2601 South Wood Drive
Okmulgee, OK 74447
(918) 756-5109

Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB **15**. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Assembly of God Beggs
400 E. Main
Beggs, OK

Tribute Wall



“ McClendon-Winters Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Tammie Sue Haynes



McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - February 13, 2023 at 03:55 PM

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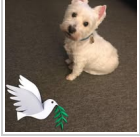
Tammie was always one of the nicest girls, with one of the best smiles. She was two years older and graduated with my brother, she was always so kind. I had no idea she passed and had become such a world traveler - what an amazing life she lived.

Jana Martin - February 23, 2023 at 08:59 PM

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“ Tammy was such a wonderful friend. We met through a mutual friend when I was going to a tech school in Okmulgee, Ok. We became boyfriend and girlfriend and I would often visit at her parents home. Tammy was traveling all over Europe and she was very special to me. She gave me her high school graduation ring, which I still have, and I would like to see to it that someone in her family gets the ring back. I googled her name, and I saw her picture, and I was greatly saddened to learn of her passing. My name is Richard Useda, and if someone in her family wants her high school graduation ring, I can be emailed at usedar@yahoo.com

Richard Useda - November 02, 2023 at 11:38 AM



“ *Tammie and I were best friends in law school. We had many fun times and interesting conversations! In D.C., we always shopped at Ann Taylor together for work clothes. She visited me in Arizona in 1994. And ever since then, we talked every day by phone about politics (which we shared views), men (lol) and travel. I loved her so much and miss her terribly, but I will always treasure what we had, the great advice and wisdom she shared with me, and her true friendship. Jane*

Jane Evans - August 12, 2023 at 07:37 PM



“ *Betty Heady lit a candle in memory of Tammie Sue Haynes*



Betty Heady - February 13, 2023 at 07:17 PM

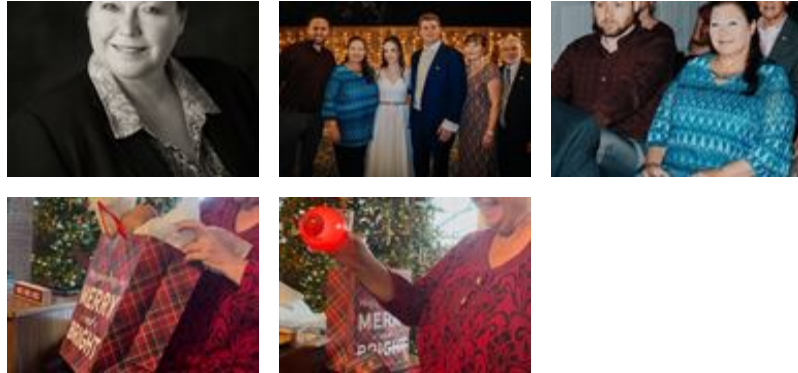


Betty and Jim, words cannot express the sadness we feel at this time. Your family is in our prayers. Gates Family.

Betty Heady - February 13, 2023 at 07:21 PM



“ 89 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



McClendon-Winters Funeral Home - February 13, 2023 at 03:45 PM

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“ *I always loved Tammie’s smile as a child and admired her as an adult. She was amazing! I feel privileged to have known her and will always remember her. My heartfelt sadness for Betty, Jim, Kim, and the entire family and friends.*

Joyce Hamon - February 13, 2023 at 10:37 AM

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“ *Tammie was such a dear friend. My heart hurts . God Bless the family. Prayers go out to everyone. She will be missed. ❤️*



Yvette Pinard - February 12, 2023 at 01:34 PM

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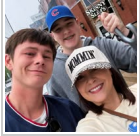
“ *Tammie and I rode our horses together many times. She was fun and one of the most adventurous persons I have ever known. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends.*

Chris Nicoloff - February 12, 2023 at 10:32 AM

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“ *I am so terribly sorry to read of Tammy's passing; my condolences and prayers for comfort are sent to her family.*

Shirley Scott - February 11, 2023 at 04:08 PM



“ *Many prayers to Uncle Jim, Aunt Betty, and Kim. I love you all ❤️
Jessi, Braxton, and Brady*

Jess Kelley - February 10, 2023 at 08:54 PM

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“ *Mark Ledbetter lit a candle in memory of
Tammie Sue Haynes*



Mark Ledbetter - February 09, 2023 at 07:07 PM