



Kay Tatum

May 14, 1947 - February 3, 2015

Kay Tatum, 67, of Copan, died Tuesday in Bartlesville.

Kay was born the daughter of Elmer and Martha (Coffey) Miller on May 14, 1947, in Coffeyville, KS. The family moved to Lenapah, OK, before settling in Delaware where Kay graduated from Delaware High School in 1965. She then attended beauty college in Collinsville. During this time she met Leon Tatum and, in Leon's words, he finally convinced her to marry him on Dec. 1, 1970, in Drumright, OK. The couple made their home in Nowata. Leon worked construction and Kay would travel with him wherever he was working. In 1973 they moved to Bartlesville where they lived for 18 years, then Ochelata for seven years, and finally settling in Copan for the past 18 years. Once their youngest child Sheila went to school, Kay started her 15 year career with Wal-Mart in Bartlesville.

Kay was accomplished in the homemaking arts and for many years, Leon and the boys only wore homemade shirts. Her hobbies included cake decorating, crossword puzzles and baking treats for family and friends. Kay and Leon liked to ride motorcycles and take weekend trips. She loved her grandkids and spending time with them. In Leon's words Kay was "a good homemaker, a loving wife and mother, the best he could hope for."

Kay is survived by her husband Leon Tatum of the home; children Gary Tatum

and Julie of Collinsville, Sheila Danitz and Michael of Menasha, WI; one brother Jack Miller of Delaware; two sisters Penny King and Sewell, and Shirley King and Gene, all of Wann; 11 grandchildren Brad Tatum, C.J. Bolin, Wyatt Bolin, Brittany Tatum, Kelly Reagan, Kelsie Tatum, Whitney Brannan, Courtney Tatum, Trestin Tatum, Garrett Tatum and Darian Danitz; several great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Kay is preceded in death by her parents, one daughter Rhonda Kay Tatum, one son Scott Tatum, one brother Dick Miller and three sisters Joy Proctor, Marie King and Connie King.

Kay's family will receive friends at the Davis Family Funeral Home, 918-534-3030, 113 S. Osage (Hwy. 75), Dewey, on Thursday, Feb. 5, from 6-8 p.m.

Graveside services will be held 2 p.m. Friday, February 6, at the Nowata Memorial Park Cemetery, with Pastor Jimmy Harrington of Ridin' for the Brand Cowboy Church in Wann, Oklahoma officiating. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Nowata Memorial Park Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 4. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
(918) 534-3030
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Visitation

FEB 5. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
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Gathering of Friends and Family

FEB 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

FEB 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kay Tatum*



Davis Family Funeral Home - February 04, 2015 at 01:44 PM



“ *5 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Davis Family Funeral Home - February 05, 2015 at 01:32 PM

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“ *With my Deepest Sympathy*

Loving memories live on forever. Even in your sadness, I hope you can hold on to the thought that a life lived with so much love never really ends, but goes on forever in the hearts of those who remember.

Nancy (Brown) Powell, Kay & myself another Kay (Gerler) White were friends through the Lenapah School days. Us three girls back then were inseparable we cheered & we played some pretty good basketball games together until she moved to Delaware. I always enjoyed seeing her at Wal-Mart Kay always had the same smile & was always so happy all the time. I know she will be deeply missed by all of you.

My Deepest Sympathy to all of you

Kay (Gerler) White.

Kay White - February 04, 2015 at 11:31 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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“ 27 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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“ *Eva Ann Huff Jones lit a candle in memory of Kay Tatum*



Eva Ann Huff Jones - February 04, 2015 at 10:00 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Kay Tatum.*



February 04, 2015 at 09:57 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kay Tatum.*



February 04, 2015 at 08:59 AM



“ *when I was a little girl my aunt kay made me the most beautiful dresses in the world. She made me a strawberry shortcake cake. wow she had the most poofy hair in the world .we was never allowed to touch it. aunt kay Shawna Lea will always love and miss you*

shawna king keith - February 04, 2015 at 08:15 AM