



## Elsie Dianne Grunewald

November 27, 1956 - January 13, 2016

Dianne (Durham) Grunewald was born to Duane Durham and Carolyn Faye (Smith) Durham in Alva, OK on November 27, 1956 and passed away January 13, 2016, at the age of 59 yrs., 1 mo. & 17 days, at Saint Frances Hospital in Tulsa, OK, surrounded by family and friends.

Dianne attended school at Aline-Cleo and graduated from Alva High School in 1975. She attended Tulsa Community College taking classes in Early Childhood Education.

She was married to Alan Grunewald on May 24, 1986 in Tulsa, OK. They had one Daughter, Tori Rachel Grunewald, born and passed away July 26, 1986.

Dianne spent her life caring for others. Her home was always welcome to those in need; she worked with several adults with disabilities and ran an in-home daycare. She also managed Rex's Chicken for several years. Dianne was a loving wife, sister, daughter and aunt. She loved spending time with her family, especially her nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. She also loved to cook, sew, read and take off on spur-of-the moment adventures. Dianne was cherished by family and friends and will be missed by all.

Dianne is survived by her husband Alan Grunewald; brother Danny Durham and wife Jackie of Mounds, OK; sisters Carlene Lightfoot and husband Vince

of Kingwood, TX, and Darlene Bouchard and husband Dave of Broken Arrow, OK; nieces and nephews Jeremy Durham, Scotty Dale Durham, Ashley Love and husband Mark Molinyawe, Stephanie Love, Latisha Crow, Scott Bouchard, and Carolyn Bouchard; great nieces and nephews Sean Durham, Shai Durham, Meyer Molinyawe, Torrie Rhoads, Maryiah Rhoads, Raylene Crow, and Aubreah Trotter; and aunts, uncles and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her daughter, mother, father, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and brother, Dennis Durham.

# Previous Events

## Service

JAN 16. 1:00 PM (CT)

Wharton Funeral Chapel  
1302 Oklahoma Blvd.  
Alva, OK 73717

# Tribute Wall

SW

“ Sharon Woods lit a candle in memory of Elsie Dianne Grunewald



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**Sharon Woods** - April 27, 2022 at 05:31 PM

SW

*I will never forget Dianne. She was a wonderful person. Thoughts and prayers to the family.*

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**Sharon Woods** - April 27, 2022 at 05:33 PM

WE

“ Alan, I'm so sorry. Would someone who knows Alan please send me his phone #? The # I have is old. I'm his cousin. 405-779-6114.

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**wendy** - January 31, 2018 at 10:02 PM

DS

“ The Durham family were neighbors of ours; just a half mile apart, when Dianne and her siblings were born. Our sincere sympathy is extended to her family during this sad time, and in days to come. We pray for each of your hearts to be warmed by special memories, and for you to find comfort In the love which only our Lord can provide.

*Dale & Vaughna (Easterling) Schmidt*

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**Dale & Vaughna (Easterling) Schmidt** - January 19, 2016 at 08:41 PM

JD

“ There will be a huge gap in our hearts and our family that no one can fill. Sis was the one who pushed for family get together and tried to get it where all could be there. If you seen someone in need you always offered help. You were the heart of this family. We will feel your loss a very long time. Jackie



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**Jackie Durham** - January 18, 2016 at 05:41 PM

SD

“ Sean & Shai Durham lit a candle in memory of Elsie Dianne Grunewald



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**Sean & Shai Durham** - January 18, 2016 at 05:23 PM

DD

“ Danny Durham lit a candle in memory of Elsie Dianne Grunewald



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**Danny Durham** - January 18, 2016 at 05:14 PM

DD

“ Sis.  
You are going to be missed so much but we know that you are in good hands now with our maker. I know you are starting to build that home for all of us to be together again someday. I would never change a thing as growing up with a big sis as great as you were. You will always be in my heart and close to me. Until we meet again high up on that mountain I love you. Your brother forever.. Danny

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**Danny Durham** - January 18, 2016 at 05:13 PM

SL

“ I've not seen Dianne or Danny in years. So sorry to read of her passing. I have good memories from back in our younger days. Dianne had a wonderful spirit for life and such a kind heart. Rest in peace old friend.

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**Sheila Drake Lehr** - January 16, 2016 at 10:56 AM

JS

“ We ere very sorry to know of Dianne's passing. Our prayers are with your family in these sad times.



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**Jim Scribner** - January 16, 2016 at 12:11 AM