



## Joy Sherman

November 9, 1932 - November 22, 2013

Joy Ann (Cameron) Sherman was born on November 9, 1932 to Mabel Sarah (Dyer) and John N. Cameron in Alva, Oklahoma and passed away on November 22, 2013 at the age of 81 Years and 13 Days.

Joy was raised in Alva and was salutatorian of her Alva High School class of 1950. She also attended Northwestern Oklahoma State University and graduated in 1954 with a double major in Elementary Education and Home Economics.

Joy married Sheldon Sherman on May 22, 1951 and resided in Capron, Oklahoma with their three children, Janet, Larry John and Tom.

Sheldon and Joy later made their home in Alva. She loved spending time with her family, being a part of her grandchildren and great grandchildren's lives and going out to dinner with her wonderful friends. She also enjoyed the Northwestern Antique Car Club with her loved ones and friends. Joy touched many lives as a teacher for 28 years at both Capron and Alva Public Schools.

She was a devoted member of the Capron Methodist Church and then the First United Methodist Church of Alva. Joy received numerous local, state and national awards throughout her teaching career and through her volunteer work. She was a member of Rainbows, Eastern Star, P.E.O. Chapter AL,

Delta Zeta Sorority, United Methodist Women and other civic organizations for over 50 years. Joy was recognized as Woman of the Year in 2007 by the American Association of University Women. She took pride in serving on various organizations in her community such as; the Cherokee Strip Museum Board, Nescatunga Arts and Humanities Council, the Holly Club and was a great ambassador for the Alva community. Joy's motto in life was "Investing time in others, both young and old, both young people and adults, pays great dividends. God has given me the opportunity to do all I can in each stage of my life to be able to help enrich the lives of others."

Joy was preceded in death by her parents, John N. and Mabel Cameron, her husband Sheldon Sherman and her very dear friend Betty Jo Pangburn.

She was survived by her cherished companion Darrel Pearson, her children Janet Benson, Larry John Sherman and his wife Denise and Tom Sherman and his wife Karen. Her grandchildren, Sarah and Mike Hutcherson, Brandon and Sarah Sherman, Sarah and Kevin Mitchell, Landon Sherman, Jennifer Sherman and Scott Benson. Her great grandchildren Heidi, Shane, Ace, Sophia Joy and Maddux. Other relatives, Evelyn and Hal Brizzolara, Nilda and Bob Johnson and family, Betty Brackett and family, Cleo Gish and family, Dorothy Baker and family, Lance Pool and family, Luanne Pool and family and Greta Wheeler and family.

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# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV **25**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
626 College Ave.  
Alva, Ok

# Tribute Wall

DC

“*Mrs. Sherman was one of my favorite teachers while going to school in Capron. She was always such a lovely person. She will be missed and God certainly took a great person home. My thoughts and prayers go out to you, her family. God bless all of you.*”

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**Donise Cinnamon** - December 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JH

“*Larry, I'm so sorry you lost your mommy. My heart aches and my mind is heavy with thoughts of you and your family. Your mommy was a sweetie!*”

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**Julie Helm** - December 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“*Larry, The Class of 1977 would like to send our condolences to you and your family at this time of grief.*”

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**Class of 1977** - November 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AE

“*What a wonderful woman, kind, devoted to humankind, Christian, hard worker, always joyful -- the perfect name for a perfect woman.*”

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**Annie Evans** - November 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ Sympathy to all the family on the loss of a beautiful kind lady. Heaven has gained a new angel in their choir. Joy was a very sweet person. I taught with her at Longfellow School and our son loved her as a teacher in third grade. She was also a good college friend of my sister and brother-in-law. We always had lots to share and visit about. She will truly be missed. God bless all of you.

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**Virgil and Lavon Wiersig** - November 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

IE

“ Dear Janet, Larry, Tom & families, Joy was such a good neighbor to me. I will miss the visits out in the back yard (or on her front porch!) on all manner of interesting topics. A classy lady just went to join her beloved Sherman and her Lord. Blessings to you all!

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**Ida Evans** - November 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I was so saddened to hear of Mrs. Sherman's passing. She was my very favorite school teacher and I was so blessed that I got to have her as my teacher for 2 years in a row! Even now, some 30 years later, every time I would see Joy she would welcome me with a big smile and a big hug. She will be forever missed.

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**Diane Lancaster McAlpin** - November 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Our thoughts and prayers are extended to your families at the loss of Joy. Many fond Capron memories.

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**Shirley (Blue), AK Armstrong** - November 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Dear Janet Sorry I can't be there, but please do me a favor and take all the Love you have for your Mother and share it with others

Don Sterba - November 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Joy Sherman was an incredible person. Not only was she a remarkable teacher, she was also a remarkable friend to her students parents. She was filled with grace and class - so proud to have called her a friend to me and my children.

Bev Saunders - November 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Joy was my fifth grade teacher at Washington Elementary and I always thought she was beautiful and so nice! She was also a dear friend of my elder sister, M. Felicia Monfort, MD. I am so glad to read she had such a long and exceptionally happy life. Blessings to the family.

Monet Lion - November 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ To Joy's family...My deepest sympathy to all of Joy's family and friends.

Kathy (Walters) Racette - November 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Joy, My Sweet Neighbor, My Sweet Friend. How I will miss hearing you call to me through my back door, over our fence, or on the phone. I was so Blessed to have had you as my friend.

Lisa Schiffner - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ To the family and friends of Joy. She will be missed by many. Truly a lady. So thoughtful of all people and caring. Thank you Joy for what you gave to this community

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**Bill and Linda Beeler** - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ A treasure Joy will be missed by all for her grace, smile and love for all. I am so blessed to have know her and served her Dad. Blessing and prayers to family.

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**Jane Gaskill** - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Janet, Larry, and Tom...just wanted to let you know how much your Mother meant to me. During our teaching years, we enjoyed combining movement (physical education which I taught) and the core subjects (which your Mother taught) to enhance the students' learning abilities in a different way. Our themes were endless: the Olympics, the circulation of the blood thru the body, the Oklahoma Land Run, and a circus theme. The students loved her as well as our two children who had her as their second and third grade teacher. I will forever remember her! Peace and love to you.

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**Kay Campbell** - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ We all are saying goodbye to a special lady. may god be with Joy's family in these troubling times.

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**Jim Scribner** - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM