



Devona Dee McMurphy

December 3, 1937 - September 9, 2023

Funeral services for Devona Dee McMurphy will be 1:30 p.m., Friday, September 15, 2023, at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Taylor Anderson officiating. Interment will follow at the Alva Municipal Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Devona D. McMurphy, daughter of the late Arthur Templin and Mildred W. (Wilson) Arndt, was born December 3, 1937, at Hardtner, Kansas, and passed away September 9, 2023, at Oklahoma City, at the age of 85 years, 9 months, and 6 days.

Devona grew up northwest of Alva and graduated from Farry High School in 1955. She then attended Northwestern Oklahoma State College where she met her first husband, Jim Robison. They were married February 2, 1957, at her grandparents home. They made their home in Ada and Oklahoma City before returning to Alva. She worked for a time at Schumacher's and at the telephone company. Devona and Jim were married for 51 years until his death in 2008. She later was united in marriage to Robert McMurphy on July 16, 2009, at Ponca City. They made their home in Alva. Devona was a loving wife and a wonderful sister. She was loved by many. Devona loved to read, especially medical books and books about different vitamins and health. She also was a passionate decorator and opened their home entertaining family and friends. She was a member of the Plain Truth Church for several years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Art and Mildred; her first husband, Jim; a sister-in-law, Sandi Arndt; a stepson, Allen McMurphy; and a step grandson, Shaun Cover.

Devona is survived by her husband, Robert, of Alva; two brothers, Danny Arndt and wife, Linda, of Wellington, Kansas, and Ken Arndt of Stillwater; two stepsons, Les McMurphy and wife, Sandy, of Roseville, Michigan, and Steve McMurphy and wife, Sandy, of San Diego, California; and step daughter-in-law, Karen McMurphy of Yuma, Arizona.

Also surviving are nine step grandchildren, Bob McMurphy and wife, Rachelle, of George, Utah, Aaron McMurphy of Roseville, Michigan, Korey McMurphy and wife, Jeweli, of Eureka, California, Sarah Lautenschlager and husband, David, of Gilbert, Arizona, Andrew McMurphy and wife, Jessica, of San Carlos, California, Laura Minenna and husband, Justin, of Sun City, California, Cassie McMurphy of San Diego, California, Lacie Nicolaysen and husband, Chris, of Stafford, Virginia, and Jaime McMurphy of Baraga, Michigan; twenty-two step great grandchildren, Allison, Allexie, Anthony, Austin, Jacob, Londen, Bree, Aubree, Adelyn, Jake, Olivia, Malley, Kaylie, Denver, Alexa Annalynn, Kayla, Mason, Jackson, Mattix, Allen, Eden, and Kaden; brother-in-law, Bill McMurphy and wife, Elma, and sister-in-law, Thelma Crouch and husband, Allen J, all of Alva; many other relatives and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Woods County Senior Citizen's Center.

Cemetery Details

Alva Municipal Cemetery

Flynn Street
Alva, OK 73717

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP **13**. 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804
Alva, OK 73717
(580) 327-2311
<https://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com/>

Viewing

SEP **14**. 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

SEP **15**. 1:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
626 College Avenue
Alva, OK 73717

Viewing

SEP **15**. 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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Marshall Funeral Homes - September 15, 2023 at 06:23 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Funeral Service*



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“ *Aaron McMurphy lit a candle in memory of Devona Dee McMurphy*



Aaron McMurphy - September 14, 2023 at 06:15 PM

AM

“ Me (Aaron mcMurphy) and my two boys Jacob and Londen McMurphy just wanted to send our condolences... Even tho I never had the privilege of meeting her in person, I heard nothing but wonderful things about her and I also know she made my Grandfather very happy, I wish I could be out there with everyone to celebrate the Life of Devona McMurphy 🕯️🕯️🕯️🕯️

Aaron McMurphy - September 14, 2023 at 06:14 PM

SB

“ I never saw Devona when she wasn't the picture of Grace and beauty! So kind and soft spoken! Rest in peace lovely lady! 🙏💕🙏

Sherry Beagley - September 14, 2023 at 10:21 AM

DW

“ Dudley And Jeanne Winn lit a candle in memory of Devona Dee McMurphy



Dudley and Jeanne Winn - September 14, 2023 at 03:09 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Devona Dee McMurphy.



September 13, 2023 at 10:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Devona Dee McMurphy.*



September 12, 2023 at 02:00 PM



“ *My heart goes out to all who know and love Devona. Her sweet spirit has truly blessed many. She always said we were “Sisters of the Heart”, and I have always treasured that bond. I enjoyed our love of health related topics and looked forward to all our phone chats. I will forever cherish all the time spent with Robert and Devona and family in Alva. Those were great times and I will miss her until we can all be together again. All my love and prayers for Devona’s family and friends, Karen McMurphy*

Karen McMurphy - September 12, 2023 at 01:38 PM



My sweet Miss Devona, You always made me feel so welcome when I would come visit. How many times did you tell me, “Sandy this is your home too.” Your kind spirit and warm heart will always be with me. I look forward to seeing you in Heaven. As I would always tell you, “You were a blessing to me.” I’ll miss you dearly, but I’ll see again. I love Miss Devona!

Sandra K McMurphy - September 13, 2023 at 04:33 PM