



Dottie Sue Gatz

November 3, 1949 - December 2, 2023

A Memorial service for Dottie Gatz will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

Dottie Sue Hada, daughter of the late David Leroy and Thelma Joyce (Rader) Hada, was born November 3, 1949, at Hardtner, Kansas, and passed away December 2, 2023, at her home with her husband by her side at the age of 74 years and 29 days.

She grew up in Hardtner, graduating from Hardtner High School. She went on to graduate from Northwestern Oklahoma State College with a Bachelor's Degree in Education. In June of 1969, she was united in marriage to Charles Gray. To this union, three children were born, Travis, Kevin, and Amanda. They lived in San Diego, California, and Topeka, Kansas before making their home in Parsons, Kansas.

Dottie was a member of the First United Methodist Church and was the church secretary for a time. On April 20, 1984, she was united in marriage to Joe Gatz at the First United Methodist Church. She later worked as an administrative assistant at Share Medical Center. Dottie was also very active with the OHCE Trendsetters and Patchwork Friends Extension groups for nearly 40 years and was a member of the United Methodist Women.

Besides her parents, David and Thelma, she was preceded in death by her son, Kevin Gray; and her sisters, Jerrienne Hada and Kathleen Ethington.

She is survived by her husband of 39 years, Joe Gatz of Alva; her son, Travis Gray of Norman; her daughter, Amanda Cushing and husband, Marc, of Highlands Ranch, Colorado; four grandchildren, Lauren Parrish and husband, Connor, of Lone Grove, Ashleigh Gray of Norman, Hannah Cushing and Ellie Cushing, both of Highlands Ranch, Colorado; other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers donations to be made in Dottie's honor to the Alva United Methodist Women or OHCE Patchwork Friends.

Tribute Wall

JN

“ from rozlynn and I such a beautiful soul rip.



Jennifer Nixon - December 15, 2023 at 04:22 PM

LL

“ Grandpa Joe I'ma so sorry about Dottie. I know that you're a perfect couple. When you saw you both of you together it was like 2 teenager in love. If you ever need someone to talk too. Just send me a message. So glad we got to know each other. Love your best friends. May God's love comfort you and your family.



Lisa Lopshire - December 08, 2023 at 05:42 PM

JS

“ So sorry for tour loss. May God be with your family in these sad times.



Jim Scribner - December 07, 2023 at 09:47 PM

GF

“ George, Sally Bush and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dottie Sue Gatz.



George, Sally Bush and Family - December 06, 2023 at 01:32 PM

GF

“ George, Sally Bush and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dottie Sue Gatz.

George, Sally Bush and Family - December 06, 2023 at 01:32 PM

DC

“ I met Dottie through my mom, Vera Sterba. I used to babysit for her around the time that Kevin passed away. I always thought that Dottie was a strong woman to survive all that she did. She was a lovely lady and will be greatly missed.



Donise Cinnamon - December 06, 2023 at 11:30 AM

VS

“ Violet Smith lit a candle in memory of Dottie Sue Gatz



Violet smith - December 06, 2023 at 10:26 AM

LI

“ *Dottie was never good at sports, but, she always gave it her all. Such a good supporter of our teams. Rest in peace, Dottie, you’ve earned it.*

Linda - December 06, 2023 at 09:13 AM

SS

“ *Sending prayers of comfort for your family.*

Shelly Stoffel - December 05, 2023 at 10:29 PM

KM

“ *Travis
I am so sorry for your loss*

Kerry M

Kerry Minyard - December 05, 2023 at 05:00 PM

LB

“ *Dottie lived one block north of us on the same street. She always had a smile and pleasant conversation. She loved her children and was proud of them. Great gal. Prayers for her family. Lesa (Houston) Bergner.*

Lesa Bergner - December 05, 2023 at 02:14 PM