



JoRetta Kaye Doctor

August 7, 1956 - September 16, 2020

Memorial service for JoRetta Kaye Doctor will be 2:00 p.m. Thursday, September 24, 2020 at the Marshall Funeral Home Chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva.

JoRetta Kaye Phillips Doctor, 64, of Alva passed away Thursday September 16, 2020, at home surrounded by family and friends following a long battle with MS.

JoRetta Kaye Phillips Doctor was born August 7, 1956, at Enid Memorial Hospital to Coy and Bessie (Neff) Phillips. JoRetta grew up in the town of Alva. She attended Alva Public Schools. While in high school she was a member of the marching band, stage band, and concert band. She was a member of both the Oklahoma and National Honor Societies. She was the 1974 Salutatorian of Alva High School. She went on to attend college at Northwestern earning her Bachelors Degree in accounting. She was a member of the Alva Women's Softball Association and a member of three bowling leagues in Alva. She had her one and only daughter Brooke (Doctor) Bow in December of 1978. She was a loving, supportive, strong mother to Brooke.

JoRetta took her first accounting job in 1980 working for Bob Coker of Alva. Working for Bob Coker created opportunities for her to work in larger

dealerships throughout Oklahoma, which in turn allowed her to move around the state. In 1984 she relocated to Skiatook to work for a local dealership. In 1986 she moved to Lexington, Oklahoma, to work for Reynolds Ford of Norman. After a couple of years of commuting she purchased a home in Norman in 1988. In 1989 she accepted an opportunity to work as an assistant to the Assistant Director of the National Severe Storms Lab in Norman. JoRetta was so strong, she was always up for any challenge. In 1991 she was selected for a position at MTSC as a technical writer for the United States Postal Service System Maintenance. In 1993 she returned to a dealership accounting position with Jackie Cooper of Norman. She held this position until her health issues forced her into retirement in 1998.

In 2008, JoRetta returned to Alva to be with the love of her life, Billy Simon. They made their home together north of Alva, where she loved gardening, canning food, planting flowers and bird watching. Together they raised their baby girl, dog Jazz. Billy and JoRetta enjoyed their time together fishing, sitting by the burn pit, traveling, basically anything outdoors. She loved being with family and friends. She was always ready for company.

She was preceded in death by her father, Coy Phillips, mother, Bessie Phillips (Neff), and brother Leslie Phillips.

She is survived by Billy Simon of the home; daughter, Brooke Bow and her husband, Wade Bow of Norman; brother, Gib Phillips and wife Pam of Perry, brother, Merlin Phillips and wife, Lorene of Tecumseh; sister, Betty Mantz and husband Roger of Alva; numerous nephews, nieces, and a close family friend, Devin Hamlin and son James, also, her loving Jazz.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory through the funeral home to the National MS Society.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **24.** 2:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home Chapel
230 Flynn
Alva, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *JoRetta Kaye Doctor*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers to JoRetta's family.
May God bless you with peace and comfort.*



Virgil and Lavon Wiersig - September 26, 2020 at 11:30 AM



“ *So sorry for your. Prayers for the family.*

jana terrell - September 24, 2020 at 02:58 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of JoRetta's passing, she will be missed. To the family of JoRetta, I was a close neighbor we grew-up out west of Alva near Tegarden, OK. in our earlier years. We are so sorry for your loss our prayers are with you all. Very special young lady may she rest in peace.*



Jim & Marilyn Davison - September 24, 2020 at 08:33 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of JoRetta Kaye Doctor.*



September 23, 2020 at 05:55 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Video Tribute*



Marshall Funeral Homes - September 23, 2020 at 05:17 PM

JH

Well done. Bill & Jo always completed each other.

Jerry Hada - September 24, 2020 at 08:08 AM

TH

Jo always made me smile and I will always smile when I think of her. A little piece of our hearts is gone. We will see her again.

Terry Hada - September 24, 2020 at 04:16 PM

KA

“ *Brooke, I am so sorry for the loss of your precious mother. She was such a great friend. We had many laughs together.*

Karen Almgren

Karen Almgren - September 22, 2020 at 09:28 PM

JE

“ Jim & Georgie Emo purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of JoRetta Kaye Doctor.



Jim & Georgie Emo - September 22, 2020 at 01:20 PM

PS

“ Jo was always a delight to be around and displayed incredible courage in spite of all her challenges. She had a knack for giving us gifts that held special memories in our lives.
Jo will be greatly missed by us! Patty and David

Patricia Sue Simon - September 22, 2020 at 12:14 PM

AE

“ What a wonderful person. Rest In Peace JoRetta.

Annie Evans - September 21, 2020 at 03:10 PM

KR

“ Kathryn Racette lit a candle in memory of JoRetta Kaye Doctor



Kathryn Racette - September 19, 2020 at 05:04 PM

SR

“ Mike and I both enjoyed talking to JoRetta. I am not much of a talker I didn't have to worry about that around JoRetta. LoL. So sorry Billy for your loss. Hugs and prayers for you.

Sheila Rodkey - September 19, 2020 at 03:56 PM

JW

“ Sorry for your loss of JoRetta.



Jeanne Vincent Winn - September 19, 2020 at 01:40 PM



“ My sincere condolences in the passing of JoRetta. She had an enormous amount of “spunk”, never hesitant to face a challenge! Complete healing, now! Prayers for each of you....may special memories warm your hearts.

DaleVaughna Schmidt - September 19, 2020 at 09:38 AM

JH

“ RIP my friend.

Jerry & Karen

Jerry Hada - September 19, 2020 at 09:33 AM

JN

“ She hired me to paint her living room and dinning room a few years back and I really enjoyed our talks that week. She was happy and in love. Enjoyed her home. Bet Midlers song The Wind Beneth my Wing's is for sure playing. RIP. You will be missed, God needed another Angel. Prayers to the family and her friends. Heartbreaking to see this.



Jennifer Nixon - September 18, 2020 at 11:58 PM

JH

“ *Janita Hofen lit a candle in memory of JoRetta Kaye Doctor*



Janita Hofen - September 18, 2020 at 09:31 PM

JS

“ *Very sorry for your loss.*



Jim Scribner - September 18, 2020 at 08:45 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of JoRetta Kaye Doctor.*



September 18, 2020 at 06:59 PM