



## LaDonna "Joy" Jenkins

April 8, 1961 - April 26, 2022

LaDonna Joy (McGrew) Jenkins, 61, of Owasso, OK left this life on Tuesday, April 26th, 2022 after a long battle of illnesses. Joy was born in Muskogee, OK. She attended school in Warner where she graduated from Warner High School in 1979. She graduated from Indian Capital Technology Center Practical Nursing Program in 1997 then continued her education at Connors State College where she graduated and became a registered nurse in 2003. She lived her life as a registered nurse and all her patients loved her as much as she loved them. The nursing community blessed her with many friends along the way.

Joy married her husband, James C. Jenkins, at the Crystal Chapel in Eureka Springs, AR on March 16th, 1997. They spent 11 years together before he was tragically killed in 2008.

She will always be remembered for her numerous decorations for every holiday, especially Easter and Christmas, as those were her favorites.

She was preceded in death by her husband James C. Jenkins, her father Jerry C. McGrew, her paternal grandparents Lora and Gertrude McGrew and her maternal grandparents Herman and Zella Bryan.

Joy is survived by her mother, Shirley Jones and husband Gene of Ft. Smith, AR; sister, Cheryl Reece and husband Jeff of Webbers Falls, OK, brother, Shawn McGrew of Carthage, Missouri; sister, Becki Banther of Owasso, OK; "sisters" Treva Filipps, Tammy McIntosh and Diana McCrary; nephew, Jeffery Reece and wife Tiffany of Muskogee, OK, niece Beth Sellers and husband

Jeff of Meeker, OK, nephew, Jeremy Reece and Tia of Mounds, OK, niece Morgan Parsons and husband Michael of Porum, OK, niece, McKinzee Farmer and husband Andrew of Muskogee, OK, nephews, Connor and Cooper Banther of Owasso, OK; a special friend, Trudy Crow; along with several great nieces, nephews and extended family.

All friends and family are welcome to celebrate Joy's life at 10AM, Monday, May 16, 2022 at Fort Gibson National Cemetery.

Cremation services provided by Cornerstone Funeral Home, 1830 N York St, Muskogee, OK. Condolences can be made to the family at [www.cornerstoneofmuskogee.com](http://www.cornerstoneofmuskogee.com).

# Previous Events

## Family conducted memorial service

MAY 16. 10:00 AM (CT)

Fort Gibson National Cemetery  
1423 National Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK

# Tribute Wall



“ *LaDonna "Joy" Jenkins*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of LaDonna "Joy" Jenkins.*



May 09, 2022 at 04:19 PM



“ *Those 3-11 shifts at MRMC were never the same once Joy arrived. I loved loved loved working with her. She was a great nurse and she was also my kind of crazy. We would laugh each night we showed up wearing the same "Dillard's" socks. I loved her stories and every mannerism with which she told them. There will never be another Joy.*

*I'm so sorry Becki, Cheryl, and Shirley.*

**Tobi Poteete** - May 04, 2022 at 11:35 PM

RW

“ I have so many memories of Joy, especially working with her, she was an awesome nurse, and I loved working with her. Some days I would go and visit her at home after working all night and we would visit for hours. She was so good to Maggie and Harmon too, she was always keeping up with them, and Maggie still has a pink lady bug Joy gave her for Valentine's day when she was little, I see it every day, and I always smile, thinking of Joy. I spoke with her not too long ago, my heart is broken.

Rhonda Welsh - May 04, 2022 at 12:06 AM

ML

“ I will miss you sweet friend, love all the Yorkies in Heaven!

Melinda Lewis-Tye - May 03, 2022 at 08:29 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of LaDonna "Joy" Jenkins.



May 03, 2022 at 07:26 PM

SV

“ Joy helped me immensely when dad was in the hospital. She would show up in her zebra striped pants with her pillow and camp out. Incidentally, I bought a pair just like them. I will miss her phone calls, sharing observations and catching me up on everything.

Sue VanTuyl - May 03, 2022 at 09:07 AM

RP

“ As a child I looked up to Joy and that never wavered. Spending most of my childhood at the McGrew’s, Joy taught me many life lessons (the secrets to laundry, making meringue, makeup & how to shop the good deals). We cruised many roads in her camero. I stayed with her and granny Bryan some, when I got to missing home. But no matter what our busy lives were doing we always checked in with each other, talking for hours & catching up. She would call me when I least expected. She was full of “ I tell ya whats”, but I admired her.Talent beyond measure (she once hand stitched ever bead on my prom dress she made).Big hearted and was good to me and my family. I will forever cherish all those late night conversations and the memories and laughter we shared. But most of all, I will love those fur babies as she would.  
Lovingly,  
Robin



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Robin Patterson - May 03, 2022 at 12:20 AM

JM

“ Sending prayers and love to the family  
Joyce & Danny McCoy  
Warner OK

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Joyce mccooy - May 02, 2022 at 10:45 PM