



Nikki Overton

February 10, 1966 - December 19, 2017

Home for Christmas, Nikki Overton is now celebrating eternal life! She passed on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 11:25AM at her home in Muskogee, OK surrounded by her loving family who will miss her deeply.

Her birth name, Nichole Lyn Arnold, was born February 10, 1966 in Ft Smith, AR to Robert J. Arnold and Linda D. (Allen) Stem. She attended public school and graduated from Southside Rebels High School in Ft. Smith with the class of 1984.

Nikki married her best friend and the love of her life, John William Overton, on July 20, 1984 in Ft. Smith AR. The example they provided through their 33 blessed years of life and marriage together have provided many wonderful memories that will continue on through their children and grandchildren.

Nikki will always be remembered as the “First Lady at New Hope Assembly of God”, John’s cheerleader, a mighty prayer warrior, and the prime example of what a Christian woman is.

She was an awesome interior decorator, enjoyed working in her yard, camping with her family and spending time at the lake, and most important, loving on her children and grandchildren.

If you knew Nikki for a long time or a short time, you knew you were loved the moment you met her. Her life sermon, “Don’t forget” and “Remember who you are” were words spoken out of love and compassion to show you how special you were to her.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Linda Stem; father, Robert J.

Arnold; and her sister, Dana Boatwright.

Nikki is survived by her husband, John, of the home; daughter, Jacquie Redding and husband David of Ft. Smith, AR; sons, Nathan Overton, Nicholas Overton, and Noble Overton, all of the home; granddaughters, Londyn Redding and Olivia Redding, of Ft. Smith, AR; father, John Stem of Ft. Smith, AR, mother, Donna Arnold of Van Buren, AR; brother, Kevin Arnold and wife Becky of Rudy, AR; sisters, Kym Stem and Lisa Boatwright, both of Ft. Smith, AR; along with numerous other family members, church family members, and friends who loved her and will miss her dearly.

Nikki's life will be celebrated at 1PM, Friday, December 22, 2017 at New Hope Assembly of God Church with Rev. Darren Pilcher and Pastor Monte Humphrey officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhill Cemetery with Jim Lawson, Dale Fulton, Jim Langley, Jack Roach, Dale Wiggins, and Brent Moore serving as pallbearers.

Cemetery Details

Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 21. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory
1830 North York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403
(918) 682-1500

Family Visitation

DEC 21. 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

New Hope Assembly of God
110 W 58th St. South
Muskogee, OK 74401

Visitation

DEC 22. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory
1830 North York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403
(918) 682-1500

Service

DEC **22**. 1:00 PM (CT)

New Hope Assembly of God
110 W 58th St. South
Muskogee, OK 74401

Tribute Wall



“ *Nikki Overton*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Bro. Overton, we are so sorry to hear the news of your loss. Nikki was (and still is) of the finest of Christian Ladies! It has been a long time since we have seen you guys or had any contact but we have some wonderful memories of you both! You guys are the cream of the crop and we found you to be great examples of Pastors and leaders. You are in our prayers and thoughts. We love you and your family!*

*Pastors Robbie and Deniece Jansen
North Heights PCG
Texarkana AR*

Pastor Jansen - December 23, 2017 at 04:07 PM

WT

“ John & Family, I Am So Very Sorry For Your Loss Here On Earth, Heaven's Gained a Wonderful Angel. I Met In Visiting Many Times Your Church, & Welcoming Is What Nikki Did Well. What a Glorious Spirit, Always Smiling & Receptive To ALL Around. So Sorry Wasn't Able To Say That, I'm Sure She Knows. Very Special Soul. My Thoughts & Prayers Are With You All. As I Have Learned With My Journey of Loss of My 11 yr Old Daughter. Our Loved Ones Are NOT Gone, They Will Always Be Very Much With Us, In Our Hearts...Until IN Our Arms, Again, At Heaven's Gates. I Know You All Know...However In Any Moment, You Will Feel Her Warmth,Laughter,Thoughts & Love With You Here Throughout Your Journey Here. She Will Hold You Dear As You Will Her. Blessed to Have Met Nikki, and Again. I am So Very Sorry. God Bless You All.

Wendy Thomas

Wendy Thomas - December 23, 2017 at 02:10 AM

LM

“ Today I went to celebrate the life of my best friend/sister that God allowed me to pick. I've known Nikki for over 20yrs with every memory I have it seems she's there. We have laughed together and cried together over the years and made memories everytime we were together or talked She was with me when my first grandchild was born and when my husband Monty had his first heart attack She was there when the doctors gave me a bad report and she was the first one to go to the throne of God for me and my family She was like that she would pray for anyone who needed it. We always had a good time together kown matter where we were at. My husband and I were blessed to be able to work beside John and Nikki for several years and I believe we are better because of their love and friendship! I'm going to miss you so bad Nikki but this isn't goodbye but rather a wave and I will see you later! I love you Don't Forget!!

LeAnn Medlock - December 22, 2017 at 11:56 PM

ER

“ *She was my best friend at Sunnyside Elementary. I'm so glad we ran into each other as adults. She was beautiful inside and out.*
RILP Niki

Evelyn Reese - December 22, 2017 at 08:41 PM

TG

“ *Teresa Norton Grant lit a candle in memory of Nikki Overton*



Teresa Norton Grant - December 22, 2017 at 08:12 AM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 22, 2017 at 07:53 AM

TG

“ *This morning I read in disbelief of the passing of Nikki. We had fun growing up together as Bob and Donna and my parents were best of friends. My heart goes out to her entire family. Matthew: 5:4 Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted.*

Teresa Norton Grant - December 22, 2017 at 07:47 AM

JJ

“ My heart goes out to Nikki's family. I went to school with Nikki and she was always a pleasure to be around. The last time I saw her was at the visitation for my cousin, Mitzi Mankin Brooks, and she looked good. I had hoped she had beat her cancer. She will be greatly missed. I am keeping her family in my thoughts and prayers! Godspeed Nikki.

Jill (Martin) Johnson - December 22, 2017 at 03:49 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.



December 21, 2017 at 11:25 PM

ME

“ What a wonderful obituary tribute. Bro O, Jacquie, Nate, Nick and Noble you are in our thoughts and prayers. May God's Grace carry you through. Nikki was so very special to me and my family and she will be greatly missed. I carry the special friendship we had with me and will always remember her. So many memories flood my thoughts. She was one in a million and no doubt her legacy is summed up in her four children whom she dearly loved! We love you guys and are praying for you.

Meredith - December 21, 2017 at 11:20 PM

OH

“ I have the fondest memories of serving the Lord with Nikki at The River of Life in Fort Smith. She was great with the music and always right on top of everything. What a sorrow to lose her here on earth but I am so glad that I know where she is now and that I will see her again in heaven. God bless the family with your grace, which I know is sufficient for you all.

Opal Harris - December 21, 2017 at 08:29 PM

CC

“ Nikki was a graceful lady who was so much fun to be around. She was beautiful inside and out. One of the things I loved about her most was her devotion to the Lord and her family. She will be greatly missed on the front row encouraging & praising and being Pastor O's biggest fan. We will never forget you. My heart is broken for your family. We love you all and continue to pray for you. We will never forget the impact Nikki had on so many of us and the memories we are blessed to carry in our hearts for her.

Charlene Cornell

Charlene K Cornell - December 21, 2017 at 05:02 PM

LS

“ May we all aspire to let our light shine as “Sister O” did. Her life radiated the Christ within and his love. So privileged to know her and Pastor John and to know her crown is lighting up heaven!!



Linda Sizemore - December 21, 2017 at 11:06 AM

BR

Nate! Never knew you! But I knew your mom and dad back in the 80s! What a wonderful couple .Your mom was shy, you're dad when embarrass, face went red. So sorry to hear this! Your mom was everything you said! She laughed and prayed. Always a good sense of humor! That's the way I remember her. Such a sweetheart!

Brian Ryan - December 22, 2017 at 04:39 AM

BR

She had a heart of gold!

Brian Ryan - December 22, 2017 at 04:40 AM

JT

*JOHN, SO VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. HOPE YOU ARE DOING OK. WE ARE JUST AROUND THE CORNER IF YOU NEED ANYTHING AT ALL.
WAYNE AND JACKIE TRIPP*

JACKIE TRIPP - December 26, 2017 at 01:31 PM

SM

“ *Brother John,
Praying for you and your family, we love and appreciate you all!
Larry and Sandy (Cantrell) Moss*

Sandy (Cantrell) Moss - December 21, 2017 at 11:01 AM

CS

“ *I will never forget when me and my late husband was going to church at their church in Ft. SMITH and after church we would all go out to eat. She would always order a hamburger minus the meat. She would not eat red meat. She was a very precious lady and very beautiful. We loved him and her so very much.*

Carolyn(Hewitt) Southern. - December 21, 2017 at 10:16 AM

LM

I will miss my sister that God let my heart pick! Nikki was a woman after the heart of God She loved beyond compare and if you knew her you knew that I've loved her from the first time I met her We quickly became best friends/sisters We got to watch our children grow up together over the years We took trips together and worked beside each other in ministry She encouraged me when I would be nervous because I had to sing in front of a big crowd or when I became the women's sectional leader in section 2 south We laughed together in the middle of John preaching because he said something funny that one of us just happen to catch We prayed together and for each other We shared in joy and in sorrow but not once did she ever give up She was one of the strongest women I have ever known and over the past two years when she was in battle I got to give back just a little bit of what she done for me I got to talk to her either by phone or text every week and she still remained strong We shared our hearts with each other and for that I am grateful I will miss you so very much my sweet beautiful sister but this is not goodbye but see you later. Don't Forget!!!

LeAnn Medlock - December 21, 2017 at 08:24 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 21, 2017 at 09:07 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 21, 2017 at 02:25 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 20, 2017 at 10:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 20, 2017 at 09:07 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 20, 2017 at 06:55 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 20, 2017 at 05:59 PM

HP

“ *Much love and prayers. Sister O definitely impacted so many lives in such a great way. She will be missed dearly and will always have a special place in our hearts. Love you all, don't forget!* ”



Heather Pruett - December 20, 2017 at 05:46 PM

PV

Our deepest sympathy and heartfelt prayers go out to your entire family from the Vansell family.

Pastor Ed and Pat Vansell - December 20, 2017 at 07:00 PM

LE

“ *Sister "O" was one of those people no matter where you saw her she had a smile and hug for you. Angels are flying high to receive her. God please wrap your arms around this family with comfort* ”

Laura & Randy Ellis - December 20, 2017 at 05:39 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.* ”



December 20, 2017 at 05:34 PM

DM

“ *The things i love about Nikki Overton: Nikkis' beautiful smile, her silly ways, the way she always supported Pastor O, Every time he preached, loved her family, loved her church, served our precious Saviour, a warrior, a woman I looked up too, and the Love she shared for everyone!! U dear lady left a mark on my heart.. U inspired me to worship my Dear Lord as I do and I am forever grateful that God let me step into your life for a lil while... Always in my heart, Thank u for All that you Are & Were... ❤️❤️❤️ Luv you Don't forget, "Biskit"*

DeAnna Marshall - December 20, 2017 at 05:17 PM

TR

“ *The Riggins purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Nikki Overton.*



The Riggins - December 20, 2017 at 05:11 PM

SM

“ *Will never forget her loving heart. Everyone she touched walked away different, just like Jesus! I will always appreciate the guidance she gave to both me and my children. Heaven must have needed a party planner!*

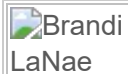
Sandy Moore - December 20, 2017 at 04:47 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 20, 2017 at 04:17 PM



Brandi
LaNae

“ *Sister O will forever be greatly loved and missed BUT...SHE WON THE BATTLE!!! I am reminded of the song we sang at the River Of Life Church (The River) "I win". Oh how she must be praising right now! I can only imagine. Such a beautiful soul that Jesus needed more than we. It was an honor and a privilege to have known her. She is my Mother's very best friend. I'll never forget giving birth to my daughter, I had Sister O in the room with me. She is like an Aunt to me. She rubbed my back until her fingers were literally raw and prayed for me the entire right hours. She was always a giver, and anything she could do for the Lord she was PROUD TO DO! My deepest condolences to Brother I, Jacquie, Nathan, Nic, and Noble. I love you all and I am praying for you. I love you Nikki O! DONT FORGET!!!*

Brandi LaNae - December 20, 2017 at 03:53 PM



“ *I was blessed and privileged to have known Nikki for a short time. My deepest sympathy and heartfelt prayers are with this Precious family and to the Wonderful church family.*

Sharon Backes - December 20, 2017 at 03:09 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 20, 2017 at 02:57 PM



“ *Bro O, Jackie, Nate, Nic & Noble our family is so sorry for your loss here on earth but cannot help but laugh thinking how Sis O is rejoicing, dancing and pranking in Heaven. I pray you all find comfort during this difficult time.*

Shannon - December 20, 2017 at 02:55 PM



“ *Garden of Serenity Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nikki Overton.*



December 20, 2017 at 02:54 PM