



## D.J. O'Dell

March 28, 1940 - December 27, 2024

D.J. O'Dell, 84, of Fort Gibson, was born March 28, 1940, to Richard and Walsie (McNinch) Clark in Muskogee, OK and met her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Friday, December 27, 2024. D.J. graduated from Muskogee Central High School with the Class of 1958. She married Johnny Algernon O'Dell, Jr. on January 18, 1969, and they spent 54 years together before his passing on July 24, 2023. D.J.'s passion was loving and taking care of children. She was a substitute teacher at Fort Gibson Public Schools for many years, creating many bonds with students. D.J. loved to attend sporting and band events, socializing and supporting the kids. In her later years, D.J. opened her home to continue caring for children, playing an influential role for many, especially her grandchildren. She loved quality time with her family. D.J. was always ready for a road trip to Coweta or Louisiana, creating many memories. When she was home, you could find her often caring for her flower beds and enjoying being outside.

She was an avid member of Fellowship Bible Church and enjoyed fellowship with her church family often. D.J. didn't know a stranger. She had a fiery, spunky, and strong spirit, she was quick-witted, but had a heart of gold. She will be missed by all.

D.J. was preceded in death by her husband, Johnny A. O'Dell; her parents; and her siblings, Delores Cheek, Dee Mon Eller, Donnie Butler, Dewey Clark, and Athel Clark.

Those left to cherish her memories are her sons, Mike and wife Kim O'Dell of

Gonzales, LA, and Pat and wife Ashley O'Dell of Coweta, OK; grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Aubrey, Cora Grace, Molly Kate, and Cole; her sister, Darlene Wilson of Oklahoma City, OK; extended family and many friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting memorial contributions to honor D.J. to Fellowship Bible Church, 1411 East Poplar Street, Fort Gibson, OK 74434.

A viewing will be held Monday, December 30, 2024, at Fellowship Bible Church in Fort Gibson from 11AM to 12:30PM. A celebration of her life will be held 1PM Monday, December 30, 2024, at Fellowship Bible Church with Reverend Steve Dennis and Pastor Don Blankenship officiating. Committal prayers and interment will follow at Citizens Cemetery in Fort Gibson with Brian O'Dell, Kyle O'Dell, Alan O'Dell, Dakota O'Dell, Cameron O'Dell, Ben Harris, and ST Macklin serving as casket bearers.

The family of D.J. O'Dell has entrusted her care, service and burial to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson. 918-478-2555.

Online condolences may be left for the family at [clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com](http://clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Citizens Cemetery, Fort Gibson, Ok

84 S Gladd Rd  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

# Previous Events

## Viewing

DEC 30. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Fellowship Bible Church  
1411 E Poplar  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

## Celebration of Life

DEC 30. 1:00 PM (CT)

Fellowship Bible Church  
1411 E Poplar  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

# Tribute Wall

SB

“ *Shane Bell lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell*



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**Shane Bell** - June 06, 2025 at 08:44 AM

TG

“ *TONYA GANN lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell*



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**TONYA GANN** - January 05, 2025 at 04:13 PM

JA

“ *Janell Arndt lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell*



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**Janell Arndt** - December 30, 2024 at 11:46 PM

CW

“ *cindy Wade lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell*



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**cindy Wade** - December 30, 2024 at 10:26 AM

LO

“ LRD Operations purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of D.J. O'Dell.



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**LRD Operations** - December 29, 2024 at 10:52 PM

SM

“ DJ will be sorely missed. While growing up I stayed with her, Johnny, & the boys several spring breaks & weeks during the summer. She always showed me a good time taking me to eat cheesedogs at the mall in Muskogee and just spending time together. We made a lot of good memories & had a lot of laughs! My mom, Darlene Wilson, spent vacations & time with DJ as well. They were always laughing & entertaining anyone that would watch, including the time they put pop bottle lids on the bottom of their shoes & tap danced for Mike's family in Louisiana! Never a dull moment when these two were together. I'll miss her laugh. Prayers for Mike, Pat, and their families. She loved and cherished all of you fiercely.

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**Sherri Wilson Moore** - December 29, 2024 at 07:05 PM

TT

Our recollection of D. J. Is how she never missed a chance to visit family in Louisiana. Her example of love she passed on unto the boys. Mike and Pat and their wonderful families and we her friends will remember her with many fond memories.

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**Terry and Brenda Tobert** - December 30, 2024 at 11:29 AM

MG

“ Thank you for open up your home for me 30 years ago! You have been an important person in my, and my family’s, life ever since. You will always be in our hearts! Thinking of Pat and Mike w/ families.  
Say hi to dad!  
Love “Your Swedish daughter” w/family



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**Maria Gullquist** - December 29, 2024 at 12:29 PM

JH

“ James Harris lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell



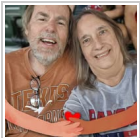
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**James Harris** - December 28, 2024 at 10:49 PM

SC

“ saundra coy lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell



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**saundra coy** - December 28, 2024 at 08:42 PM



“ Jeanine Craig West lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell



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**Jeanine Craig West** - December 28, 2024 at 05:18 PM

CK

“ Carol, Brooke, Danielle, Chance, Kenzie purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of D.J. O'Dell.



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**Carol, Brooke, Danielle, Chance, Kenzie** - December 28, 2024 at 01:18 PM

SW

“ Sandra Huggins Worley lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell



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**Sandra Huggins Worley** - December 28, 2024 at 12:23 PM

TF

“ The Mondal Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of D.J. O'Dell.

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**The Mondal Family** - December 28, 2024 at 11:40 AM

TF

“ The Mondal Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of D.J. O'Dell.



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**The Mondal Family** - December 28, 2024 at 11:40 AM

KF

“ Karen, Mike, Jonathan, Lindsay & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of D.J. O'Dell.

Karen, Mike, Jonathan, Lindsay & family - December 28, 2024 at 09:48 AM

KF

“ Karen, Mike, Jonathan, Lindsay & family purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of D.J. O'Dell.



Karen, Mike, Jonathan, Lindsay & family - December 28, 2024 at 09:48 AM

MD

“ Marathon Garyville Tech Service Dept. purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of D.J. O'Dell.



Marathon Garyville Tech Service Dept. - December 28, 2024 at 09:31 AM

JE

“ Johanna Eastwood purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of D.J. O'Dell.



Johanna Eastwood - December 27, 2024 at 10:53 PM

PD

“ Peg and Joe Duffy purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of D.J. O'Dell.



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**Peg and Joe Duffy** - December 27, 2024 at 10:50 PM

TF

“ The Fuzzell Family purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of D.J. O'Dell.



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**The Fuzzell Family** - December 27, 2024 at 07:27 PM

SW

“ shelly walkingstick lit a candle in memory of D.J. O'Dell



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**shelly walkingstick** - December 27, 2024 at 07:02 PM