



## Katherine 'Kelly' LaNell Cook

October 30, 1958 - May 13, 2025

Katherine "Kelly" LaNell Cook, 66, of Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, in Muskogee, Oklahoma, with her family by her bedside. She was born on October 30, 1958, in Amarillo, Texas, to Ed Gautreaux and Carolyn Kay (Teeas) Johnson.

A longtime resident of Fort Gibson, Kelly dedicated a decade of service as a librarian at Connors State College before retiring in 2014. Her love for books and learning left a lasting impression on the campus community.

On November 27, 1989, Kelly married the love of her life, Billy Cook. Their marriage spanned more than 35 years and was marked by deep companionship and shared adventures. In retirement, Kelly and Billy enjoyed traveling together, especially to San Antonio and New Orleans—destinations that brought them joy and lasting memories.

Kelly found delight in simple pleasures. She enjoyed playing games on her phone, attending real estate auctions, and cherished every moment spent with her family. Her greatest passion was being surrounded by loved ones, and she leaves behind a legacy of unconditional love and devotion.

Kelly is preceded in death by her father, Ed Gautreaux; stepfather, Dan Johnson; mother, Carolyn (Kay) Johnson; son, Wesley Cook; and sister, Tonya Johnson.

Those left behind to cherish Kelly's memory are her loving husband, Billy Cook of the home; sons, Shane Bell and wife Misty of Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, Danny Lindquist of McKinney, Texas, Christopher Cook and wife Shannon of

Sugar Hill, Georgia, and Shawn Cook of Sugar Hill, Georgia; daughter, Amanda Lindquist of Muskogee, Oklahoma; grandson, Aidyn Lindquist of Muskogee, Oklahoma; granddaughters, Kailee Lindquist of Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, Addisyn Lindquist of Muskogee, Oklahoma, and Brooklyn Bell of Fort Gibson, Oklahoma; brothers, Ronnie Bell of Fort Gibson, Oklahoma and Dan Johnson, Jr. of Muskogee, Oklahoma; extended family; and many friends.

The family of Katherine 'Kelly' LaNell Cook has entrusted her care and cremation 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)

# Previous Events

## Graveside Memorial Service

JUN **20**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Park Cemetery  
7600 Old Taft Rd  
Muskogee, OK 74401

# Tribute Wall

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“ Rest in peace Kelly loved playing township with you 🙏🙏🙏

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**grace** - June 20, 2025 at 03:10 PM

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“ Love, Your UltraLite Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Katherine 'Kelly' LaNell Cook.



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**Love, Your UltraLite Family** - June 18, 2025 at 09:32 PM

SG

“ Billy, John & I are so sorry about ur loss~ ❤️

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**Suzan Guthrie** - June 15, 2025 at 06:10 PM

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“ *The first time I ever met Kelly was May of 2003. She was working in the CSC library and I was looking for reference material for an assignment. The topic was on funding spent on sports in public schools versus the arts. At that time there was very little info on that subject so finding articles was difficult, but Kelly spent hours helping me find anything we could get our hands on. We closed the library that evening. Soon after that, I got a work study position working under her and Linda. It was Kelly's unwavering dedication to helping me, that made me want to be the same influence for students. After I graduated and went on to NSU, we continued to stay friends catching lunch whenever we were both free. She also helped me get hired at CSC at the Warner campus, always notifying me when a position came open. As years rolled by I didn't get to see her as much but we never lost contact. I truly appreciate getting to know her and having her as a dear friend. She really loved helping others and being there for those she loved so much. Heaven truly gained an angel. We all love you to the moon and back Kelly ! ❤️ -B. Moon*

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**Bridgitte E Moon** - June 04, 2025 at 09:55 AM

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“ *Jenny McGraw lit a candle in memory of Katherine 'Kelly' Cook*



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**Jenny McGraw** - May 20, 2025 at 11:16 AM