



Margaret Jean Skyles

November 16, 1946 - October 11, 2015

'Margaret Jean Skyles was born November 16, 1946, in Coffeyville, Kansas, to Kenneth E. Cary and Leona Mae (McKee) Cary. She died Sunday, October 11, 2015, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the age of 68 years. Margaret graduated with the Edna High School Class of 1964 in Edna, Kansas. She spent most of her working life as an administrator for the Berenson Foundation. Margaret enjoyed crocheting baby blankets for the South Tulsa Community House non-profit organization and the Crisis Pregnancy Outreach Center, reading, playing bunco, and exploring her family genealogy. She loved her two poodles, Chloe and Gigi, but especially loved her family. Loving family members include: Daughter; Dana Conner and husband Michael, of Broken Arrow Grandchildren; Kelcie Wiedemann and husband Shane, of Broken Arrow Hunter McKee Conner, of Broken Arrow Sister; Marcia Boutwell, of Broken Arrow Brother; Arthur Cary, of Dennis, KS Margaret was preceded in death by her parents, Kenneth and Leona Cary. Graveside services will be held 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 21, 2015, at Edna Elm Grove Cemetery in Edna, Kansas with Pastor Art Spomer officiating. Memorial donations may be made in memory of Margaret Skyles to the Broken Arrow Neighbors, 315 West College Street, Broken Arrow, OK 74012. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service. www.moweryfs.com'

Tribute Wall

DZ

“ *'May the memory of the righteous be for a blessing.'*

David Zemel - October 21, 2015 at 03:59 PM

SS

“ *'I just heard of Margaret's passing and I wanted to share my deepest prayers for your loss. She was a wonderful friend, and community leader, and will be missed by so many. We laughed at lunch about the trials of re-doing houses...never found out if she put in that tin ceiling we talked about. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Thanks Margaret for the wonderful talents you shared with so many!'*

Suzann Stewart - October 20, 2015 at 01:47 PM

KR

“ *'What a very special lady..and her contribution to the world with love and compassion made this world brighter..and will continue to always shine bright because of you!'*

Katherine Richard - October 18, 2015 at 12:24 PM

KS

“ *'So sad to hear about Margaret. She has always been so kind to me for many, many years and in so many ways. I already miss Margaret Skyles. Here's a hardy "Thank You" for her positive influence on my life.'*

Kent Stroman - October 16, 2015 at 10:12 PM

KG

“ I met Margaret when we were conducting a capital campaign for Broken Arrow Neighbors in 2013 and requested funding from The Grace & Franklin Bernsen Foundation. She guided me, not only through the written proposal but also my actual presentation to the trustees. Margaret was my support system in an arena that was very new to me. Our professional relationship led to a friendship that I will always cherish. I am thankful she held Broken Arrow Neighbors close to her heart as she encouraged her beautiful children to become volunteers. I smile to remember how we are woven together. I am honored that memorial requests have been directed to Broken Arrow Neighbors and I am humbled to further weave Margaret's legacy into our daily mission. ’

Kim Goddard - October 16, 2015 at 07:58 PM

GI

“ Margaret was one special lady. We always looked forward to her and her sister making baby blankets for us to give out at Christmas. She will be sorely missed. From all of us at South Tulsa Community House.’

Gerri Inman - October 16, 2015 at 07:15 PM

DD

“ *'I am so saddened to hear this news. I met Margaret in the late 1990s when we worked together at OSU in Tulsa. We hit it off within about ten seconds of meeting. We were both in new positions at a new institution and shared many laughs and discussions as we tried to make our way! We stayed in touch after we had both left OSU and I considered her friendship to be incredibly valuable to me. Margaret and I would try to meet up now and then for lunch - particularly Chinese food! She had a unique way of being very sensible about things and yet maintaining a humor and graciousness toward others. She was incredibly proud of her family and loved telling me everything they had accomplished. I will miss her terribly and my condolences, thoughts and prayers are with her family. '*

Dana Schuler Drummond - October 16, 2015 at 02:01 PM

LG

“ *'I am so sorry for your loss.'*

Linda Goodwin-Ellis - October 15, 2015 at 04:20 PM



“ *'Message'*

October 14, 2015 at 07:51 PM

SM

“ *'I worked with Margaret in the funding community in Tulsa. She was a pleasure to be around and to work with. Tulsa will not be the same without her smiling face and caring heart.'*

Shirley Martin - October 14, 2015 at 07:25 PM

RM

“ *I appreciate that Margaret cared about the non-profits of Tulsa. She took time to meet with and listen to Operation Aware. Our condolences to the family and her co-workers at the Bernsen Foundation.* ’

Rhonda McDaniel - October 14, 2015 at 07:00 PM

SH

“ *May you find comfort during this difficult time knowing that God promises to soon, "swallow up death forever" and to "wipe away the tears from all faces" (Isaiah 25:8)* ’

S Hamm - October 14, 2015 at 05:31 PM

CK

“ *Margaret was such a cheerleader to so many nonprofits, and to me personally. She always had a kind word and encouragement to offer -- not judgmental or critical. She helped and supported me from my first day at the Reynolds Foundation to a recent conversation about life changes. And her loyalty to those she loved and respected was unequalled. Margaret will really be missed, and I hope her family finds peace and happy memories.* ’

Courtney Latta Knoblock - October 14, 2015 at 03:36 PM