

Dorothy Ann Randle

Dorothy Ann Randle departed this life at her home in Norman, Oklahoma on Thursday, September 24, 2009, after a long battle with cancer. Ann was born December 20, 1943 in Dothan, Ala. to Lt. John R. and Dorothy (Whitlock) Edsall. She married William C. (Bill) Randle on August 11TH, 1961.

Ann graduated Magna Cum Laude from Kansas State University in 1966. She was an accomplished artist and shared her gift by teaching in the public school system in Duncan and Empire, Oklahoma. Ann had many interests and excelled at everything she did. She was a Master Gardener who brought joy with her beautiful flowers. She enjoyed playing competitive bridge. Reading and discussing books was a full time vocation with Ann. She shared her love of history and science by volunteering as a docent at the Sam Noble Museum of Natural History at OU and was a member of the first docent class at the museum. Her flair for the unusual and her zest for life was a source of pleasure for her many friends. Ann's great thirst for knowledge never ceased. Ann was a member of the Oklahoma Native Plant Society and a former officer in the organization. She was a leader on the Barber County Kansas annual wild flower tour. Her knowledge of plants and design beautified many gardens.

Ann's joy was in her family who survive her. Her loving husband, Bill, who tenderly cared for her during her illness; son Jody Randle and wife Kelly, their daughters Amanda and Abby of Oklahoma City; son Barry Randle and wife Toni, their son Abe of Dallas; and daughter Jenifer Randle (Jiffy) of Oklahoma City.

She is also survived by her mother Dorothy Edsall of Stafford, Kansas; her sister, Kaye Christman. Kaye's daughter Tracey Goff and family of La Center, WA. A niece Shelly Dorris and her family of Ft. Worth TX.; sister in law Janet Dethrow and husband Dewey, their children Randy, Dana, and John David. She was preceded in death by her father

A memorial service will be held on 11:00 A.M., Monday, September 28, 2009, at Havenbrook Funeral Home Chapel in Norman. It will be officiated by The Reverend Chaplin Harry Smith of Heartland Hospice. The family will gather at the Randle home, 901 Pinebrooke Ct, Norman, OK before and after the service. A small memorial service will be held at Stafford, Kansas on at the 1ST United Methodist Church, at 11:00 A.M., Wednesday September, 30, 2009.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial may be sent to The Sam Noble Museum of Natural History, Development Fund, 2401 Chautauqua Avenue, Norman, OK 73072, attention Allison Mainers. Or whatever other benefit or fund you desire. A few words that sum up her life are, "I came, I saw, I conquered."

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