



## Shannan T. Orr

June 17, 1962 - June 11, 2020

Shannan Therese Orr (nee' Thmpson) entered into rest June 11, 2020 at her home in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, following a brief illness.

Shannan was born in Guthrie Center, Iowa on June 17, 1962, to Julie Dill (Ernie) and Eddie Thompson. She was the eldest of four siblings: Mike Thompson, Pat Thompson (Ondine Dannler), and Nicki Wilson (Martin).

From the youngest age, she displayed a remarkable gift for calmly assessing what needed to be done, then bravely doing what she knew to be the next right thing. This made her a second mother of sorts to her younger siblings, particularly her brothers, whose antics she saved them from much more than once. In later life, she would call this "being bossy"; in truth, she just always seemed to have the better ideas.

Though Shannan's formal education ended as salutatorian of her Manitou Springs High School class of 1980, she had a facile intellect and insatiable curiosity that kept her learning throughout her life. An elective class in high school that she took as a break from her heavy academic load revealed a profound artistic ability she didn't know she had, and she produced beautiful art, including murals for many churches, businesses, and individuals.

Her more than 30 year marriage to Michael Orr blessed her with two daughters: Rachel Ashby and Rebekah Cimino (Chris), and two grandchildren: Isaac Cimino and Austen Ashby. One of Shannan's great joys was spending time with her grandchildren. Her relentless love and fierce devotion was a constant in her family's life. Rachel and Rebekah's tender care of their mother in her last days was a source of comfort to Shannan and a source of immense pride and gratitude for the rest of the family.

Shannan gave her life to Christ in high school, and her faith was integral to her identity. Her deep examination of her faith eventually led her to author two books for adults: Refocus and Shameless, one children's book: God Always Loves You, as well as Sunday

School curriculum. As a member of Healing Grace Church she found her second home. With Women of Grace ministries, she taught the word of God in churches across the country and across the world.

Shannan is survived by her parents, siblings, children and grandchildren, in-laws, in-laws that remained family beyond marriage, and a worldwide circle of friends whose unceasing prayers for her moved and humbled her in her last weeks among us.

A celebration of Shannan's life and ascension will be held Sunday, June 14, 2020 at 4:00 pm Central Time, at Healing Grace Church, 4818 E 80th St, Tulsa, OK. The service will be live-streamed on Healing Grace Church's YouTube and Facebook channels for those unable to attend. The family requests in lieu of flowers that tributes be made in her name to Healing Grace Church, c/o Rebekah Cimino, 4818 East 80th Street, Tulsa, OK 74136.

The family will distribute any gifts to ministries that were close to Shannan's heart. Moore Funeral Home - Southlawn Chapel 918-663-2233

# Comments

---



“ I loved reading her little book Refocus, it got me through some difficult trials. She is a real gift from God that He used to shine love and grace to all.



**Sue** - June 14 at 02:17 AM

---



“ Shannan and her Shameless writing were a great inspiration for me to significantly change my life and be positive and productive again; thank you so much, Shannan. True Love lives forever even beyond the grave. Shannan has moved to a different dimension, but her love abides in our hearts forever. My deepest condolences for your loss. God Bless and Love, Richard Price

**Richard Price** - June 13 at 11:59 AM



“ Thank you for posting a Shannan's obituary.

**Reba McBride** - June 17 at 01:13 AM



“ Loved being a neighbor to this talented young lady. She and her children gave us many memories which we will always cherish. As we go through this life we may not know the impact we make in the lives of others. So live well, love others and serve the Creator of the universe as she did. All will be well in the end! God's speed Ms Shannon.

**Frank Fries** - July 29 at 11:41 PM

---



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Shannan T. Orr.



June 12 at 04:00 PM