



Ellen Hendrix

December 17, 1950 - January 23, 2014

Ellen Hendrix was born December 17, 1950 to Harold and Louise (Hall) Kennedy in Durant, Oklahoma and entered the Gates of Heaven on January 23, 2014 at the age of 63.

Ellen has been a lifelong resident of Bryan County. She married Kennie Hendrix on July 29, 1972 in Calera and they were blessed with two children. She graduated from Southeastern Oklahoma State University with a master's degree in education and she has touched many lives as a dedicated teacher and for the last 13 years she enjoyed computers. Ellen dearly loved her family, especially her four grandchildren.

Ellen was preceded in death by her grandparents and nephew JP Kennedy. Ellen is survived by her husband Kennie Hendrix of the home; parents Harold and Louise Kennedy of Calera, OK; daughter Heather Leonhart and husband Scott of Union, KY; son Kyle Hendrix and wife Amanda of Bartlesville, OK; brother Keith Kennedy and wife Cindy of Calera, OK; sister Sharon Canon of Calera, OK; grandchildren Tyler Leonhart, Cole Leonhart, Treyton Hendrix and Austin Hendrix; numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 P.M. Monday, January 27, 2014 at Brown's Funeral Service Chapel. Travis Huffman will officiate. Interment will follow in Rose Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the Funeral Home on Sunday evening from 6-8 P.M. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.brownsfuneralservice.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Brown's Funeral Service, Durant.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ellen Hendrix*

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“ *I am so saddened to hear of Ellen's passing. I teach online for Southeastern, and while I never had an opportunity to meet her face-to-face, I enjoyed emailing with her and she was always exceedingly helpful and kind. My prayers are with the Hendrix family.*

Andrea Miller - January 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *bEllen was so special! I loved working with her and cannot count the number of times I called her for help. I loved going to her office - Wonder Woman! and Candy! What a hoot she was! She adored her grandchildren and we always had to compare notes. She was a good friend - so supportive and encouraging. I will miss her as will everyone else. That smile and that hair make her unforgettable!*

Betty Clay - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Although we did not know Ellen, our prayers and thoughts are with the family. Especially Sharon Canan, our dear friend and sister of Ellen. May God comfort you.*

Bill and Debbie Wallace - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ So sorry for your loss Keith. May Gods peace be with you today and in the days to come when you need His special touch the most.

Tami Arnold - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Ellen was a very special lady. Her smile and enthusiasm was delightful. She could always lift your spirits just by the sound of her cheerful voice. She was always so helpful in resolving our Blackboard issues. She will be greatly missed at Southeastern but I know she has added to the joys in heaven with her presence. We pray for her family during this time of grief and may they treasure their memories Ellen made in their lives

Sherry Holeman - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Ellen had the best laugh and the biggest smile. She was a joy to work with and she added alot to our lives. Farewell Wonder Woman, you will be greatly missed.

Pamela Locke - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Ellen, this is so difficult to write. You were the lady that was always smiling and the person that always had a kind word to say. May you find much happiness as you wait for others of us to join you in your new mansion. Your smile will rival the suns in heaven. Swift and safe journey my friend.

Debi Combs - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Ellen brightened our lives at SOSU and was always there with a lifting hand to help. My prayers for the family that will miss her even more.

Jo Ann Poindexter - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I am grateful that Ellen reached out and befriended me, a new adjunct professor at SOSU, one day as we traveled in a van to a workshop. From that point forward, I looked forward to her insightful, helpful, and humorous email exchanges. Grateful for her hard work, joy, and kindness, I miss her already.

Kathleen Hoy - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Ellen was someone I always looked forward to seeing. You could count on her having a great smile.

Debra Merritt - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ At SE the name Ellen Hendrix was synonymous with "Blackboard" the university's indispensable computer program. How many times did I go see Ellen in a panic with a Blackboard question? I lost track long ago. No matter how many times I asked, she answered with enthusiasm and a smile on her face. And on the way out I always raided her candy dish. Words can not express my sadness.

Ray Gaskin - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ There are no words that can take away the hurt & emptiness. I don't ever remember seeing her without a smile. She loved her family with all her heart & enjoyed telling stories about the grandsons. "Grief is not a sign of weakness nor a lack of faith. It is the price of love."

Jim Bob & Kathy Laird - January 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ We shared many, many good times in the 70's and 80's, during our dating and early married years. We always had lots of fun stories, but some of our fondest memories were the weekends we would go see Kennie and David at Ft. Polk, LA. There was always something to laugh about when Ellen was around. To Kennie, Heather, Kyle, Keith and the rest of the family, our prayers will be with you.

David and Paula Parker - January 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ I will always miss the warm and thoughtful greeting that Ellen gave to me every semester. Life is short, but the brief time I shared with her will remain as a blessing for me. I offer my condolences to all her friends and family.

Charles L. Marshall - January 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I remember Ellen as a child when I married her Uncle Robert. She was always happy and smiling. Though I've seen Ellen few times the past years, I know she brightened many people's lives. I'm sure she continues to smile as she is greeted by Grannie Hall and Grandad, Papa and Grandma Dillard, and Uncle Robert. My prayers and sympathy to the family.

Sue Clark - January 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ When I served as Director of Distance Education my office was next to Ellen’s in the CIDT. I saw her on good days and not so good days, but she never failed to present an upbeat attitude and smiling face to students, staff, and faculty. We talked often about our plans for the future and things we still wanted to do, and it’s difficult to realize hers are no longer possible. Ellen’s passing leaves a hole in the heart of the university community and a void that can never be filled in the lives of those she loved, especially her grandchildren.

Linda Kallam - January 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ I consider myself blessed beyond words to have known an individual such as Ellen Hendrix. Her passion and dedication for her work and students were boundless. Whenever you were lucky enough to come into contact with her, she always managed to shine her light and enthusiasm on you, and make you want to succeed. She will be sorely missed for many years to come, and our University is just a bit less bright without her extraordinary inspiration and guidance to show us the way, even in our darkest of times. Ellen, you have been, and always will be, an inspiration to all that you touched in life.

Nick Nichols - January 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Mary Millikin has sent this Expressions of Sympathy card.

Mary Millikin - January 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Kennie & Family, So Sorry for your sudden loss of Ellen. Our prayers are with you all.

Johnny & Shirley Shepherd - January 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KT

“*Mrs. Hendrix was my favorite teacher growing up. Looked up to her as through out the years. She made a lasting impression on our lives growing up in Calera. She will be forever missed.*

Karen Davis Talley - January 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TS

“*I worked with Ellen a lot in the past 2 years trying to develop new delivery strategies for my courses. "Lets figure it out" was what she would tell me. Always cheerful. Always supportive. Always there to answer my call on Friday at 4:55. Always had favorite chocolate! Great example. Ellen will be greatly missed.*

Tim Smith - January 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“*Ellen certainly will be missed. I'm thankful to have had the privilege of working with her for many years. She has made a huge contribution in the lives of many and was truly a blessing for our faculty, staff, and students at Southeastern.*

Dan Moore - January 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SA

“*I will miss Ellen. I do not recall ever seeing her in anything but a great mood. She always brightened my day and was eager to help.*

Stan alluisi - January 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Our son, Scott is married to Ellen's daughter, Heather. We always remember what a warm welcome our family was given by Ellen and Kenny the first time we met and thinking what a wonderful way to start a marriage. Her lovely smile, generosity and lively personality will truly be missed. She will be a bright star in heaven.
Our sympathy to all who knew and loved her.

Doris and Bob Fenton - January 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ TO The Family of Ellen Kennedy Hendrix:
My sincere condolences and prayers for the family. Ellen was a few grades ahead of me in school but I remember her so well and her sweet and loving personality. May each family member be comforted with the peace of our Lord Jesus.
IN HIS HANDS
Jan Albert Wood

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