



Tonya Renee Young

November 7, 1973 - June 5, 2026

Tonya Renee Young, 52, passed away on June 5, 2026, in Mead, Oklahoma.

Tonya was born on November 7, 1973, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. She was raised in Oklahoma and most recently returned to Bryan County in April 2026 from Denver, Colorado.

Tonya attended Durant High School and later continued her education at Metro State University. She dedicated her career to behavioral health care, where she touched countless lives through her compassion, kindness, and unwavering commitment to helping others.

Tonya found joy in life's simple pleasures. She loved cooking for family and friends, playing pool, creating arts and crafts, gardening, hiking, and capturing special moments through photography. She had a generous heart, a vibrant spirit, and a deep love for her family, friends, and beloved pets. She loved fiercely and cared deeply for those closest to her. At the same time, she was known for her feisty personality, quick wit, and determination. Tonya never hesitated to speak her mind, stand up for those she loved, or bring laughter to those around her.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Robert and Hellen Wheat; Kenneth and Ruby Young; and her aunts and uncles, Wally Wheat, Samuel

Wheat, and Kathy Wheat.

Those left to cherish her memory include her spouse, Justin McGarvey of Denver, Colorado; her parents, Donna and Leonard Young of Mead, Oklahoma; her mother-in-law, Marci McGarvey and her partner, Michael, of Denver, Colorado; her sons, Dakotah Young and spouse Nynnett of Mead, Oklahoma, Austin Hall of Sherman, Texas, and Joshua Deal of Denver, Colorado; her siblings, Melissa Phillips and spouse Rickey of Pocahontas, Arkansas, and Wre Smith and spouse Beth of Durant, Oklahoma.

Tonya also leaves behind dear friends, Buddy and Ronda Deal of Madill, Oklahoma; her beloved fur babies, Bandit, Fury, and Pandora; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends who will forever treasure the memories they shared with her.

Tonya's warmth, laughter, strength, and love will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Though her absence leaves an immeasurable void, her legacy of compassion, resilience, humor, and fierce devotion to her family and friends will live on in the hearts of those she touched.

Online condolences may be sent to Tonya's family at www.brownsfuneralservice.com

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/3K74DRDFRZDYB3L5>

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUN 9. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Chapel
4900 West US Hwy 70
Durant, OK 74701

Tribute Wall



“ *Brown's Durant Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Tonya Renee Young* ”



Brown's Durant Funeral Service - June 09 at 02:17 PM



“ *Love you Tonya you will be missed cousin!* ”



Angela Bryan - June 11 at 05:41 PM



“ *3 files added to the tribute wall* ”



Marci McGRvey - June 09 at 04:12 PM

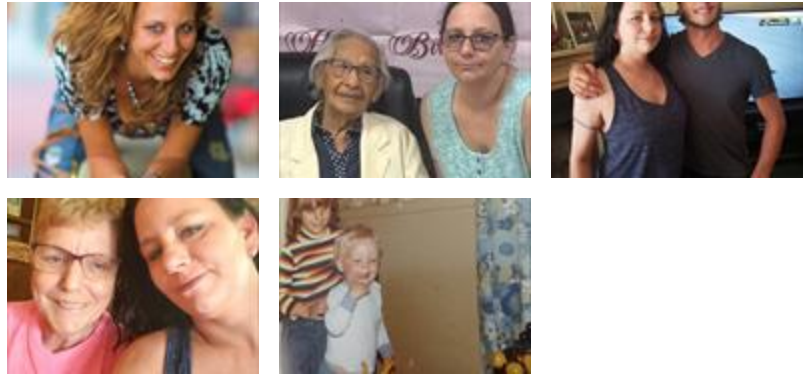
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“ *Marci A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tonya Renee Young.*

Marci A. - June 09 at 03:46 PM



“ *103 files added to the album Gallery of Pictures*



Brown's Durant Funeral Service - June 09 at 02:22 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tonya Renee Young.*



June 08 at 02:35 PM

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“ The Young family in St. Louis purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Tonya Renee Young.



The Young family in St. Louis - June 08 at 10:18 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tonya Renee Young.

June 08 at 01:38 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Tonya Renee Young.



June 08 at 01:38 AM

LG

“ Lorelee Giudice purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Tonya Renee Young.



Lorelee Giudice - June 07 at 09:32 PM

LG

“ Tonya was an answered prayer and a friend to me that I desperately needed when our paths crossed the second time in our lives. We first met working together at El Chicos in Oklahoma and when she moved to Denver I lost my friend and best coworker. A few years later, I would find myself in Denver desperate to find a job and after being turned away from dozens of restaurants, I happen to walk in the same restaurant she was working at. They hired me because we knew each other and she could vouch for me. It helped save my life at the time. I have never forgotten her friendship and fun times we had. She made me a better at pool and I'm proud to have known her. Thoughts and prayers to all.

Loralee Giudice - June 07 at 09:19 PM



“ Tonya, you will be missed. We had so many laughs together. I will miss that.

Shannon Vigil - June 07 at 08:00 PM

AB

“ We have shared so many wonderful memories together, from car rides, working together and the love of food you will be missed my friend. Rest in love



Aisha Boss - June 07 at 07:45 PM

AJ

“ I am so saddened to hear of the passing of Tonya I worked with her at Spearly she was a awesome Social Worker my condolences to the whole family.



Alysia Johnson - June 07 at 06:59 PM

MB

“ Melody Baker lit a candle in memory of Tonya Renee Young



Melody Baker - June 07 at 12:57 PM