



## Diane Burtrum

March 4, 1942 - June 13, 2023

On Tuesday, June 13, 2023, Diane Burtrum of Springdale, Arkansas, loving wife and mother passed away at age 81.

Diane Adelle (Killion) Burtrum, was born March 4, 1942, in Sweet Springs, Missouri to John “Clay” and Roberta Adelle “Bobadell” (Gauldin) Killion. She was the oldest of four children and growing up on a farm learned domestic duties early. She was an excellent cook, always generous with the butter, and rarely happier than when showing people her love through food at a beautifully set table. Diane’s pursuit of music started as a young girl where she learned to accompany her music minister father on the piano. She further developed her musical talent at Oklahoma Baptist University where she received her degree in Music and was a member of the Bison Glee Club as a little sister. Some of her fondest memories came from her time as a college student spent touring with the USO through Asia.

Diane married Steve Burtrum on November 27, 1964. They raised two sons,

Todd and Cory,  
and two daughters, Mia and Kara. She was a devoted wife, mother, and  
grandmother. Her love  
of family was her top priority. She would do anything for the people she loved.  
It seemed like  
she had an endless well of energy to work full time, run a household, keep  
commitments to her  
church, and still give freely of herself to friends and family.

Diane's passion for music was shared from 1968-2007 as an elementary  
music teacher. She  
retired from Shiloh Christian School after 16 years. She was an accomplished  
singer, pianist,  
and director of many musical productions. Her creativity extended to floral  
arranging and  
decorating for every holiday. She was a warm, caring and affectionate person  
with a kind word  
and friendly smile. She was a member of Cross Church and was a follower of  
Christ. Her love for Jesus showed through in the countless lives she touched.  
Her life verse was Proverbs 3:5-6, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and  
lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him and he will  
make your paths straight." Even through sickness, memory loss, and total  
dependence on others, she would urge you to put your faith in Jesus.

Diane was preceded in death by her wonderful parents Clay and Bobadell  
Killion, her brothers,  
Bob and Jim. She is survived by her husband, Steve, her children, James  
"Todd" Burtrum of  
Atlanta, GA, Douglas "Cory" Burtrum and wife Amy of Springdale, AR, Mia  
Standard and  
husband Eric of Rogers, AR, Kara Russow and husband BJ of Springdale,

AR; grandchildren,  
Brooke Burtrum, Clay and Allie Burtrum, Aubrey and Brynn Standard, Harper  
and Rex Russow; sister, Nina Tanner and husband Greg; and cousins, nieces,  
and nephews.

Services will be held on Friday, June 14, 2023 at 2 PM at Cross Church  
Springdale with Charlie Foster officiating. Visitation will take place prior to the  
service beginning at 1 PM at the church. Interment will be at Floral Haven  
Cemetery in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma on Saturday, June 15, 2023 at 11 AM.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Willard Walker Hospice House  
(325 Longview St, Fayetteville, AR 72703) for providing incredible end of life  
care.

Online condolences can be left at [www.siscofuneral.com](http://www.siscofuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Floral Haven Cemetery

6500 S 129th E Ave  
Broken Arrow, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 16. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Cross Church - Springdale  
1709 Johnson Road  
Springdale, AR 72762

## Funeral Service

JUN 16. 2:00 PM (CT)

Cross Church - Springdale  
1709 Johnson Road  
Springdale, AR 72762

## Graveside Service

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

Floral Haven Funeral Home, Crematory & Cemetery  
6500 S 129th E Ave  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012



# Tribute Wall

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“ I was blessed to be one of Diane's nurses at Willard Walker Hospice Home. She was such a joy to take care of. We all loved to see Diane come to visit us and bless us with one of her smiles. We will miss her and are very sorry for her family's loss. She was such a sweet and wonderful person.

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**Patti Holcroft** - June 20, 2023 at 04:57 PM

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“ I had the privilege of teaching with Diane at Metro Christian Academy in Tulsa and having her sons in my English classes. She had such a sweet spirit and was creative. I was blessed by her musical talent at Tulsa First Baptist and especially remember The Living Christmas Tree Performances. She was a blessing.

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**Joyce Isaacs** - June 17, 2023 at 09:44 PM

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“ I just learned of Diane's passing. I am so sorry to learn of this news. I remember Diane the best when she worked with the youth ministry and sang in the Sanctuary Choir at First Baptist, Tulsa, including the Living Christmas Tree. She was incredibly gifted as a soloist. I also remember the years she taught at Metro Christian Academy in Tulsa, where I attended. My prayers and sincerest condolences to Steve and her family.

*Brent Isaacs, Tulsa, OK*

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**Brent Isaacs** - June 17, 2023 at 09:30 PM



“ 181 files added to the album Memories Album



Sisco Funeral Chapel - June 16, 2023 at 01:17 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diane Burtrum.



June 16, 2023 at 09:35 AM



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

June 16, 2023 at 09:35 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Diane Burtrum.



June 15, 2023 at 11:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Diane Burtrum.



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June 15, 2023 at 03:41 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Diane Burtrum.

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June 15, 2023 at 12:01 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Diane Burtrum.



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June 15, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Diane Burtrum.



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June 15, 2023 at 10:40 AM

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“ *Such a wonderful person and so inviting to all she came in contact with. She will be missed by many and thought of by all. God bless*

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**bruce** - June 15, 2023 at 10:29 AM