



## Cheryl Beth Owen

August 13, 1950 - April 9, 2016

Cheryl Beth Owen, 65, of Ava, passed away at 3:01 p.m. Saturday, April 9, 2016, at St. Joseph Memorial Hospital in Murphysboro.

Cheryl was born on August 13, 1950, in Evansville, Indiana, to Charles Albert Owen and Virginia (Gates) Owen.

Growing up in Evansville, Indiana, she had participated in the Girl Scouts, the Evansville 4H Club, and Afghan Hound Society of Central Indiana. She was a Charm School Debutante. She was associated with the Shawnee National Trucking Company. She attended the University of Evansville and University of Southern Indiana, where she studied music art, art history, anthropology, and museology. She was a Student Government Senator, the Art Club President, and was on the Dean's List.

At SIU-Edwardsville, she was in the Phi Cappa Phi, Lambda Alpha, Anthropology Club, TRIBE - Native American Interest Group, she received the Kimmel Scholarship Award, and was on the Dean's List, and was in Who's Who in Colleges and Universities.

In Southern Illinois, she was member of the Prairie du Rocher Saddle Club and was an expert horse back rider, Mt. Carbon Church of God, and she participated in the French and Indian War Re-enactments.

She was a trusted friend and spouse, mother, animal and nature lover, researcher, lecturer and educator of cultures and antiquities; award winning artist, known for her renderings of animals; and musician--known for trumpeting and songs of the Native American Flute.

She married Douglas Kemp on June 30, 1990, in New Harmony, Indiana, and he survives.

Other survivors include one daughter Lauren Elizabeth Owen of Chicago;

two brothers Brian Owen and Dwight Owen, both of Evansville, IN;

and one half sister Marsha Swain of Evansville, IN.

She was preceded in death by one half brother Ron Shippe and her parents.

Her body was cremated and a memorial service will be held at 5 p.m. Friday, April 15, 2016, at Mt. Carbon Church of God, where family and friends may visit from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday at the church. There will be a Jam Session and Celebratory Dinner to follow the services. Memorials may be made to the family. For more information, please visit <http://www.pettettfuneralhome.com>.

# Tribute Wall



“ Cheryl Beth Owen

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ Doug, I am very sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of visiting you and Cheryl out on your farm. Keeping you and your family in my thoughts.

Shannon Berry Meyer - April 15, 2016 at 12:18 PM



“ Doug and Lauren, I am so sorry to hear this. David told several of us today during a meeting. I send you my prayers and hugs.

Sharon Smith - April 14, 2016 at 11:26 PM



“ Hi, Doug, Thanks for putting the sad news about Cheryl in the Evansville paper. I have fond memories of Cheryl and you and Lauren from your days at USI. I am so sorry. Sincerely, Carolyn

Carolyn Roth - April 14, 2016 at 11:06 AM

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“ Cheryl I met you n doug two years ago.driving for so.ILL transportation.I've never met two nice down to earth people as you n doug.Cheryl we've come along way since I met you n hauled you to doctors appt.and hanging with you.going out to eat and the raffle festival.will miss it wasn't a week ago me n you talked four an hour or so.loved to hear you play the wooden fluets.and your story's of collage days you n doug shared.loved to hear about your paintings and horse trail stories.loved to see you n doug doing stuff together lady.you will forever have a place in my heart n prayers.Cheryl so glad I got the chance to hang with you doug.you will be missed my friend!!!!R.I.P.my friend love Timmy Tolbert!!!

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**Timmy tolbert** - April 13, 2016 at 04:14 AM