



Vina Lee Hathaway

September 7, 1941 - May 30, 2021

Vina Lee Hathaway, aka "Monie" as her loving grandchildren called her, age 79, of Chillicothe, OH passed away on Sunday, May 30, 2021 at The James Cancer Hospital at OSU in Columbus, OH. She was born to the late James Ray and June Pearl (Myers) Foster in Shawnee, Oklahoma on September 7, 1941. She is preceded in death by her husband, Bobby B. Hathaway, and William "Bill" Johnsen, the father of her children and former husband. Bobby and Vina were married on September 3rd, 1994. Vina Lee is survived by her two daughters, Carla (Tim) Colburn of Chillicothe, OH and Kande Marler of Ardmore, OK; four grandchildren, Kendall Reavis of Columbus, OH; Christian Colburn of Baton Rouge, LA; Kaleb Bishop of Ardmore, OK and Karissa Carlile of Oklahoma City, OK; step grandchildren, Timothy (Megan) Colburn of Chillicothe, OH; and two step great grandchildren, Trent and Danielle Colburn of Chillicothe, OH. Also surviving are her siblings, Frank Foster of Russellville, AR; Carol Stiles of Burkburnett, TX; and Tammy Rosin of Chugiak, AK; many cousins, nieces, nephews and special friends. A Celebration of Life will be held on July 10th in Chillicothe, OH.

Vina Lee graduated from Higgins High School in Higgins, TX in 1959. She began her college education at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, OK from 1962-1964. She had a unique opportunity and traveled in a European Study Program to Spurgeon's College in London, England where she studied Art and Music in Holland, East and West Germany, France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Belgium, and England. Vina Lee passionately helped with the

campaign of Henry Bellmon, former Governor of Oklahoma in 1963 and again in 1987. In 1965 Vina went to a Famous Artist's school, Inc. in Westport, CT. She received her Bachelor's Degree of Science in Business from Oklahoma City University in 1968.

Vina and Bob owned Vina's Christian Books, Gifts and Nutrition Center in Carthage, TX. She resided on Lake Murval, Gary, TX for 26 years. Vina Lee was a successful writer, publishing many articles, poems, and children's books. Her last book that was published was Get Out of Jail Free/Keys to Unlocking Emotional Prisons. She was a member of the Rusk County Poetry Society in Texas. National Poetry Societies and honorary member of the International Society of Poets. She was in the International Who's Who in Poetry; International Society of Poets; International Library of Poetry; Who's Who of American Women; International Who's Who of Intellectuals; Personalities of America; Two Thousand Notable American Women and Who's Who of American Women II, and The International Who's Who in Poetry 2005, chosen first of four featured poets twice internationally and once in the U.S.A.

Vina Lee was also an established painter. Oil paintings of hers include Burnham Woods which hung in the First National Bank's board room in Oklahoma City for twenty years. She did some modeling in her lifetime as well. She was the Cover Girl for Oklahoma Today Magazine and a runway model for the Oklahoma Association of Young Fashion Artists. Vina Lee additionally was a Family Life Coach and the founder of Academy of Life Coaches assisting people in every area of life by coaching them through situations with successful life experiences Biblically and professionally. She had been a speaker and leader in personal growth seminars for many years as well as becoming an ordained minister in 1991. Her goal was to make a positive difference in people's lives prayerfully touching hearts with God's love.

Tribute Wall

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“ To Vina's family: I am so sorry to hear of Vina's death. She was an amazing woman and a fine poet, as well as being an inspirational person in all areas of her life. Please know that we, her poet family, will miss her and will keep her poetry in our hearts.

Anne McCrady
Tyler, Texas

Anne McCrady - June 09, 2021 at 09:48 AM

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“ May God give you comfort during this time, may the Heavens rejoice in the arrival of their new angel. So many memories over so many years.

love always Julie Medley Johnson

Julie Johnson - June 08, 2021 at 11:47 AM

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“ Carla, Tim, Kendall, Christian
May God give you piece and comfort. Monie was an incredible lady. I am blessed to have known her. She was loved by all and will be deeply missed.

Love you all
Lara

Lara Johnson - June 07, 2021 at 06:44 PM

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“ *Our sweet Vina!*

Thank you so much for loving my kids so much. You made such an impact in their life in such a short time. I am forever grateful.

Love Tim and Megan Colburn

megan colburn - June 07, 2021 at 04:15 PM