

## Tena Louise Murfin

March 8, 1985 - September 6, 2020

TENA LOUISE MURFIN, 35, passed away on Sunday, September 6, 2020.

Please take a moment to share a kind thought or memory with Tena's family at [www.andersonbethany.com](http://www.andersonbethany.com).

**SERVICES:** A Viewing for Tena will be held on Friday, September 11, 2020, from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, with a Rosary to be recited at 5:30 PM, at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home, 2609 S. Main, Roswell, New Mexico.

On March 8, 1985, Tena was born to Benny Murfin and Cleo Chambers in Roswell, New Mexico. She graduated from high school, attended college for two years, and received a Massage Therapist License from the New Mexico Massage Board. Tena was self-employed, she had her own business, "Tena's Touch Massage." She loved volunteering at BeeHive Homes, Artesia Family Wellness Center, and Craft Fair for the elderly. Tena's gift of compassion is more than a learned behavior. It was a characteristic of her nature; her heart was for service, and her life was dedicated to being a giving person. She enjoyed shopping, massage therapy, and make-up. Tena's most treasured memories were the times she spent with her friends and loved ones. Her favorite sports were volleyball and cheer. She will be deeply missed, but her joyful spirit will forever dance in the hearts of everyone who loved Tena.

**SURVIVORS:** Those left to cherish memories of Tena are her fiancé, Tomas Fabela; siblings: Erica Fields, Genevieve Fabela, Mercedes Fabela, and Xavier Reese; aunts and uncles: Bill Murfin, Pat Murfin, Marie Anne Wells, and Rojean Murfin; nieces and nephews: Sydney Fields, Corey Fields, Jacob

Fields, and Caleb Fields; close friends: Elvia Chacon, Vanessa Royalty, Ruby Mendez, S'lena Chacon, Calvin Reese, Anthony Ornelas, Crystal Apodaca, Carizma Mendez, Kielii Chacon, Adrian Apodaca, Mia Apodaca, Ezra Apodaca, Aria Ornelas, Amelia Quezada, Eestela Madril, Sirena Madril, Israel Moreno, Joanna Moreno, Juan Moreno, and Debbie Archuleta; as well as her precious pets: Princess and Pepper.

PRECEDED: Tena was preceded in death by her parents, Benny Murfin and Cleo Chambers; grandmother, Dorothy Hickson; Eugene Murfin, and Christene Murfin.

A special "Thank You" to everyone that has reached out. We love you, Tena. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tena's honor to Anderson Bethany Funeral Home.

#### AFTERGLOW

I'd like the memory of me  
to be a happy one.

I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles  
when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo  
whispering softly down the ways,  
of happy times and laughing times  
and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve,  
to dry before the sun  
of happy memories that I leave  
when life is done.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP 11. 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory  
2609 South Main  
Roswell, NM 88203  
(575) 622-5888  
abfh@andersonbethany.com

## Rosary

SEP 11. 5:30 PM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Tena Louise Murfin*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Tena you were like a ray of sunshine sweetheart. You will forever have a special place in my heart. Dance with the Angels sweetheart. Love you forever and always.*

**Dorothy Garcia** - September 14, 2020 at 10:18 PM



“ *Laura Montoya And Family lit a candle in memory of Tena Louise Murfin*

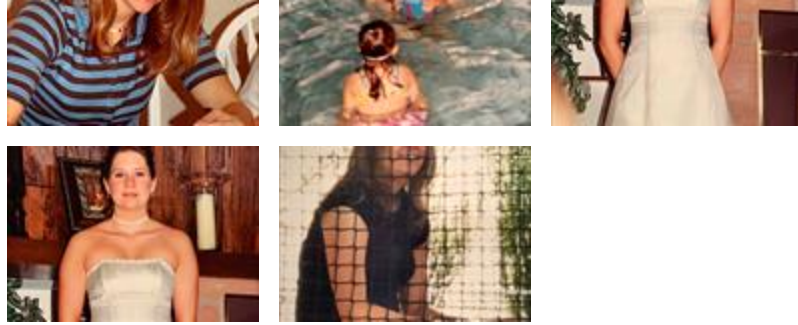


**Laura Montoya and Family** - September 12, 2020 at 03:19 PM

DD

“ Sweet Tena, this breaks my heart baby girl. I miss the days when I called you my little sister and we would stay up all night watching movies, go to the gym, try every goofy diet we could find, tanning, your slumber parties at our house, you getting ready for homecoming with your friends, helping you practice for cheer tryouts, picking you up from games and practice, going to your banquets, you telling me about your day in the kitchen while I cooked dinner and me wondering if you were ever going to take a breath.... you would come home so excited and say 100 words in no time. I remember you and Steven playing outside and you either riding your bike or on your roller blades, you playing cards with Mom and Dad at the kitchen table, the day you took the kids for a ride in my car and backed into the fence at the horse Barns, you braiding Ali's hair and playing with the kids. Tena you had a beautiful heart and I'm so thankful for these memories, I'm thankful mom and dad took you in, I'm thankful that you lived with Tommy and I, I'm thankful that you were part of my family, I'm thankful that God shared you with us and that you blessed so many people with your kindness and positive attitude. You never gave up or took no for an answer. You found a way no matter what. Not many people probably know this but you were number seven in your class at RHS and in honor society, you loved to dance and entertain people, you studied hard in school, grades were very important to you. Not only did you make the Roswell high Varsity cheer team but you decided you wanted to go to Goddard and you made the team there as well. Life wasn't always easy for you and you had more challenges in your young life than most of us will have in a lifetime, but you never talked about the bad it was like the bad never existed, you only remembered the good and the good in people. Thank you Tena for everything you did for my family and I. I wish time wouldn't have passed so fast and that we wouldn't have grown apart. I hope you know even though we didn't talk over the last years you were always loved and had a special place in my heart. Thank you for taking such good care of Mom in her last years. You were one million Tena. May you Rest In Peace sweet girl. I love you little sis.





**Dora DeGroot** - September 11, 2020 at 02:30 AM

DD

*\*you were one in a million!*

**Dora DeGroot** - September 11, 2020 at 02:35 AM

EV

“ **ESTHER VALE** lit a candle in memory of Tena Louise Murfin



**ESTHER VALE** - September 10, 2020 at 11:00 AM

SI

“ Tena and I have been good friends for so many years we shared so many memories together she was a blessing to have met in my life we always helped each other out when we needed each other we were like sisters my favorite memory is when we would go bike riding watch movies together and even go for walks I pray that she is in the hands of God resting in peace I will miss you so much Tena and I love you so much I also pray for Tom and the rest of the family that he gives them comfort and strength to get through this tough time

**Sirena** - September 09, 2020 at 08:29 PM

RW

“ Tena was always willing to volunteer for a chair massage event. Always promoting our profession of healing touch. Her giving kind heart made massage the perfect profession for Tena. She was always a kind giving spirit!

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**Rick Wiles** - September 09, 2020 at 04:35 PM

TL

“ RIP my friend i will miss you even though we just got reconnected again and seen each other twice since your father passing, we are and always was always close friends almost like family.



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**Tammy Lemacks** - September 09, 2020 at 09:39 AM

RW

It has been my gain and privilege to know Tena. My life, the massage school, and profession was bless with her presents and spirit. She was alway up to volunteer for a chair massage event. And promote her profession of giving and healing touch. Her giving kind spirit is a permanent memory to so many that she touch. We will never forget.

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**Rick Wiles** - September 09, 2020 at 04:08 PM

FH

“ Tena was a truly unique person with a heart as big as the New Mexico sky. She was a loyal & loving daughter and her commitment & dedication to Tom was unwavering. Her passion for her chosen profession was mirrored in her talent. We were fortunate to have shared a friendship with Tena and our hearts and prayers are with Tom & her extended family.  
Felecia & Leon

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**Felecia Harvey** - September 08, 2020 at 09:48 PM

MP

“ I am so sorry to hear about the passing of tena she was a good person and a good friend of mine we went to Roswell High School together and we got to be good friends and I had got a few massages from her too I am really going to miss her my thoughts and prayers are with her family in this sad time but I know that she's not suffering or in pain anymore I still can't believe she's gone it was such a shock to me she's going to be missed dearly.

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**Monica Patterson** - September 08, 2020 at 08:55 PM

KM

“ My sweet cousin. I'm so sorry we didn't have more time together. I know you were so loved by everyone who you came in contact with. I take comfort in knowing you are up there with your dad, mom and the rest of the family. We love you, Rest In Peace.

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**Kim Murfin** - September 08, 2020 at 07:15 PM