



## Sonya Lee Graham

November 28, 1965 - June 29, 2012

Sonya Lee Graham, 46, of Salisbury passed away Friday, June 29, 2012.

Born November 28, 1965 in Salisbury, she was the daughter of Jackie Beacham Graham of the home and the late Sie Chenault "Buddy" Graham.

Sonya was educated in the Rowan County schools and graduated from East Rowan High School, Class of 1984. She received her BA degree in Business Administration from University of North Carolina-Charlotte in 1988.

She was co-owner and operator with her twin sister of S&S Graham Archery for 25 years and for the past 12 years was a taxidermist.

Sonya was of the Baptist faith, the business was her life. She was an expert target shooter that she learned from her father and loved animals.

Those left to cherish her memory in addition to her mother, are her twin sister, Sionna "Sie" Graham of the home; and half-brother, Michael Brooks of Granite Quarry.

Funeral services will be conducted (11:00 AM – Friday, July 6, 2012) at Summersett Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Joe Black, minister of Eastside Baptist Church officiating. Interment will follow at Rowan Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from (6-8 PM Thursday) at Summersett Funeral Home and the family will be at the residence at other times.

Memorials may be made to the NC Bowhunters Association, 7796 NC Hwy. 68 N, Stokesdale, NC 27357.

# Tribute Wall



“ Jackie and Family  
So very sorry to hear about Sonya.  
Please know that our Thoughts and Prayers are with you!##imported-  
begin##Judith and Jim Powell##imported-end##

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July 16, 2012 at 03:51 PM



“ Ask people if they know about S&S Graham Archery and they will often say "oh you mean the girls". I will truly miss Sonja. She taught me how to properly shoot a bow. May God Bless the Graham family in this difficult time.##imported-  
begin##Keith Heaton##imported-end##

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July 11, 2012 at 08:34 PM



“ We were extremely saddened by the loss of such a great lady and fellow archery enthusiast. Sonya will be greatly missed by so many.

Robert and Pam Brookman##imported-begin##DropTine Archery##imported-  
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July 09, 2012 at 05:20 PM



“ Dear Sie,  
We were so sad when we heard the news about Sonya, our hearts was so heavy when we had to send our son Christopher this horrible news, everytime when he was on leave from Marines if we wanted to find him he was always at the archery shop with you and Sonya. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.  
God Bless!

Cathy & Mike Sherrill##imported-begin##Cathy & Mike Sherrill##imported-end##

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July 09, 2012 at 11:17 AM



“ I was so saddened to hear the news last week. It has always been such a pleasure to go see " the girls" at my favorite d bow shop. The worst part about going to the shop was having to leave. All the way home we laughed and talked about how much fun we always have seeing everyone at the store. There is surely sadness in so many hearts. God gives strength that no one can understand. I pray for your strength. Please know I love you and I will do anything I can to help. Please Sie let me know a number to reach you. Mine is 828-310-2226 call me anytime.Love You. Penny###imported-begin##Penny Icenhour###imported-end##

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July 08, 2012 at 12:11 AM



“ We (NCBA) are saddened at the loss of one of our own, Sonya Graham. Sonya was a beloved and valuable member of our bowhunting fraternity. We will all miss her.

We are honored that the family chose to request that memorial donations may be made to the N.C. Bowhunters Association. We have created a link on our webpage under the Endowment Fund link for Sonya. All donors will be listed under this link. Goto: [www.ncbowhunter.com](http://www.ncbowhunter.com) and click on the Endowment Fund link.

We offer our sincerest regrets and condolences to the family...

Ramon Bell, President, N.C. Bowhunters Association###imported-begin##Ramon Bell###imported-end##

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July 06, 2012 at 05:21 PM



“ Sie,  
I am currently out of the country and just found out the terrible news. Over two years ago I met you and Sonya. I met two wonderful people whom I am proud to call my friends. I felt my heart sink when my mother informed me of the situation. I want you to know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

God Bless

Chris Sherrill###imported-begin##Chris Sherrill###imported-end##

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July 06, 2012 at 04:03 PM



“ From the first time our family met both of you (Sonya and Si) by coming into the business there has been a special bond. We have thoroughly enjoyed each time we have had the opportunity to come to the place of business and spend time with you. Each visit usually extended well past business hours but these times will always be remembered.

*It was clear to see both of you had made a commitment to each other, to the business, to the legacy of your Father, and the individual. This individual commitment and the special times we shared has allowed us to also enjoy some very memorable times in the field.*

*We are very thankful for these wonderful times and the blessed opportunity to meet your Mom Jackie. We regret we were not present at the visitation. We had full intentions of being there but changing schedules and conflicting dates posted prevented us from making it.*

*Please remember that we will continue to lift you and your family up to "THE SON JESUS CHRIST" in prayer for a divine comfort and understanding that only can come from GOD. If you need us for anything at all, anytime of the day or night, do not hesitate. We are here for you and you know how to reach us.*

*May the Grace of the Father send showers of the Holy Spirit to comfort your days and guide your paths.##imported-begin##Dave, Diane, & Angelica Cable##imported-end##*

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July 06, 2012 at 01:23 PM



“ You have our sincere sympathy.

*Please know that the family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

*She will surely be missed.*

*Gene and Diane Rainey##imported-begin##Gene & Diane Rainey##imported-end##*

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July 06, 2012 at 12:13 PM



“ My family sends our condolences for your loss. She always had a smile and was always a good friend. Not a time will pass that she is not thought of.##imported-begin##Donnie Daniels##imported-end##

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July 06, 2012 at 09:35 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Sonya. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Sie and family. May God bless you through this difficult time. S&S was a great help to Davie County Hunter Ed Teams over the years. From all the coaches and team members from Davie Hunter Ed Teams.##imported-begin##Andy Atwood##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 11:36 PM



“ These are the sweetest and most kind people that I have ever dealt with and my heart reaches out to Sie, family, and all at S&S Graham Archery. May the lord bless each and everyone and help them get through this tragic and difficult time. I'm sorry that I can't be there since I'm so far away but I'm there in my heart and soul. I will truly miss Sonya but her kindness and free spirit will live forever. If I can be of any help in any way, please let me know..God Bless all..##imported-begin##Jeff Kimbler##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 11:29 PM



“ Sie we are truly sorry for your loss! Our hearts are hurting as well. You both were always so pleasant to wait on. Sonya will be greatly missed but know she is now your guardian angel watching you from Heaven!##imported-begin##Tonya Griffin & Melissa Quick##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 09:13 PM



“ Ms. Jackie Graham,

*I am so sorry to hear about your daughter, continuing to remember you in prayer..*

*Love you,*

*Brynn##imported-begin##Brynn Coates##imported-end##*

July 05, 2012 at 06:09 PM



“ It was our great honor to meet Sonya 2 years ago when my husband purchased a Matthews bow from her. She was one of the friendliest and caring people we had ever met and we enjoyed talking to her for over 2 hours during the purchase. She will truly be missed. You can find solace in knowing that she is with her Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!!##imported-begin##Mike & Paula Booze##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 05:44 PM



“ Sonya was the most pleasant person I have ever met. I have been a customer for years and she was always the sweetest person when helping me. My wife just met her a couple of months ago and she too just loved her. Sonya will be dearly missed but heaven is a much better place now because of her. To the Graham Family, we hurt with you. God Bless ! Phil and Tina Hunter, Troutman N.C.##imported-begin##Phil Hunter##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 05:28 PM



“ sonya has done a lot of things for good me and it is a great loss to me she has done a lot of good things for a lot of people she will be missed buy all##imported-begin##mark mcfadyen##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 04:08 PM



“ Sionna & Jackie,  
I'm so sorry for your loss and continue to pray that God will hold each of you in his loving arms during this entire ordeal. Sonja was a true light in this world--from childhood through adulthood. I cherish the memories and her beautiful smile. She showed the love of Christ and made the world a better place.##imported-begin##Wendy Bullins Fontenot##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 03:05 PM



“ my heart breaks for the graham family. many thoughts and prayers go out for them. they are truely loved!

love

crystal and daniel wing##imported-begin##crystal wing##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 01:01 PM



“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. I know God has another angel with him now.##imported-begin##Sharon Kimmer Spry##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 12:50 PM



“ You were a great friend and a great person. I will never forget our relationship with the Cabarrus Bowhunters. May GOD BLESS.##imported-begin##Leon Reynolds##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 12:33 PM



“ Our prayers are with the family! Sonya will be missed!##imported-begin##Ronnie & Penny Perdue##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 12:12 PM



“ What a terrible shock. Sonya was a wonderful person to meet for the first time and keep as a life time friend. She encouraged me to get out of my comfort zone to bowhunt and I dearly love the peace and quiet. Family you will be kept in prayers and remember Sonya made a difference to many ladies and men.##imported-begin##Matthews##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 11:13 AM



“ Sie & Family:

*Prayers to you and your family. Sonya will be deeply missed.*

*Rene' & Doug##imported-begin##Rene Robichaud##imported-end##*

July 05, 2012 at 08:42 AM



“ We were so shocked and saddened to hear about Sonya. We have not been to the shop as much since we moved from Rockwell, but every time we ever went, Sonya and Sie were both so sweet and so welcoming. Sionna, we are praying that you will feel the love and the caring from all the people that love you and your sister. She was truly one of a kind! We are so, so sorry for your loss. Peace and love to you, Sie, and to your family.##imported-begin##Jay and Mary Skipper##imported-end##

July 05, 2012 at 07:15 AM



“ my husband and i had the privilage to know such a wonderful and helpful person she was really great with her customers and to met her for the first time was as if you had known her forever and had met a new friend my husband really enjoyed going there for all her help and supplies she knew her calling and was a pro we are truly sorry for your familys loss she will be truly missed she was loved by so many even people who hardly knew her so may god bless you all during this very difficult time and just know so many of us are praying for each and every one of you who are so near and dear to her she is a angel just know she did what made her happy and that was following in her fathers footsteps and just know sometimes as hard as it may be we just have to let go and let god. she can go rest high on that mountain her work on earth is done she can go to heaven a shouting but for the father and the son. AMEN.###imported-begin###the mills family###imported-end###

July 04, 2012 at 08:31 PM



“ Our Prayers are with The Family & Friends. Sonya, You will be missed. What a Blessing to have known you if even for a short time.  
"KEN STILLWELL'S WHITETAIL TAXIDERMYY"###imported-begin###Kenny & Gloria Stillwell###imported-end###

July 04, 2012 at 08:09 PM



“ My heart was so sad to hear that a dear childhood friend has passed. Most of all, my heart is sad for my other dear friend, Sionna and for their wonderful mother Jackie! I remember you all as some of the most beautiful people that I have ever known in my life! I will never forget my summers spent camping out in the pop-up camper with you girls and the fun we had sharing our hopes and dreams for the future, trying to catch a fish in the creek, riding around in that old blue station wagon, dressing my dog up in old baby clothes that your mom let us have, and grabbing a ripe watermelon out of your garden to fill our bellies on a hot summer evening. Some of my favorite memories are from my summers of elementary and middle school with you all. I love you dearly Sionna and Jackie! I am so sorry for the pain that I know you must be feeling right now. You are in my prayers and I know we will see Sonya again when we are called home! I am trying to re-arrange my schedule to get there for the service...I will be there if I can! May GOD bless you and wrap HIS arms around you right now!###imported-begin###Tammy (Fatkin) Buchanan###imported-end###

July 04, 2012 at 05:38 PM



“ Ms. Jackie, Sie and S&S family,  
This came as a total shock to me. I am so, so sorry for your loss. Sonya was such a beautiful person. I still can't believe this tragedy. May God be with all of you throughout the coming days. May He comfort you in your sorrows, give you peace of mind, knowing that Sonya touched so many lives and joy in knowing that we will all be together again. If there is anything I can do, even being so far away, please don't hesitate to ask. I want to extend my service to you as a pall bearer too, if needed. It would be my honor. Sonya really touched my heart, from the moment I met her and the mount she finished for me, has even more meaning. I will always have a piece of Sonya with me and proudly displayed on my wall. God Bless You All.###imported-begin###Lisa Watson###imported-end##

July 04, 2012 at 12:04 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with The Graham family. GOD BLESS###imported-begin###Robert T. Sages###imported-end##

July 03, 2012 at 09:35 PM



“ My heart goes out to your family. Sonya was always a pleasure to be around. I work for Parker Bow Co. and always enjoyed coming to the store. Many people have been effected by her death. I was always amazed when I worked at S&S at the distance that customers had driven to come to the store. May God bless your family.###imported-begin###Phil Rabb###imported-end##

July 03, 2012 at 04:13 PM



“ Sionna, I am very sorry to hear of Sonya's passing. My God wrap his arms around you and comfort you in this most difficult time and in the days ahead. If I can do anything for you please let me know, Godspeed.

Kendra Fulbright###imported-begin###Kendra Fulbright###imported-end##

July 03, 2012 at 02:27 PM