

Set Messy at SHANE'S Rib Shack

By Lori Romano

here are days when you want to eat a nice meal in a restaurant complete with white table linens, salad forks, and an attentive waiter. And then, there are the days when you want nothing more than to roll up your sleeves and dig into a plate of delicious, down home BBQ. At Shane's Rib Shack, you'll find a menu full of delightfully messy choices that will have you licking your fingers and clamoring for more.

The original Shane's Rib Shack opened in Georgia in 2002 when Shane Thompson quit his corporate job to open a restaurant serving mouth-watering BBQ made from his grandfather's recipes. And, the food was just too good to stay in Georgia—these days, you can find Shane's Rib Shacks in 13 states.

The secret to Shane's success is the slowsmoked quality meats paired with a variety of scrumptious homemade sauces and

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side dishes. Add that to the reasonable prices and generous portions, and you've got a recipe for success.

Toni Stork, owner of the Westgate City Center location, is passionate about bringing great BBQ to the West Valley. "The amazing food at Shane's is what keeps people coming back again and again," Stork says. "We have customers that eat here regularly three times a week. Just make sure you come hungry, because it's going to get messy!"



Whet your appetite with an order of buffalo wings with your choice of sauces. Next, try one of Shane's signature sandwiches, like the Big Dad Pork Sandwich. The Big Dad is made with slow-smoked pork hand chopped and piled high on two thick slices of buttery Texas Toast and drenched in a delicious secret sauce. Or try the most popular item on Shane's menu—ribs. Choose from a half or whole rack of baby backs, St. Louis, or beef ribs which are slow smoked for hours and glazed with Shane's

secret sauce. Served with your choice of two large sides, you certainly won't leave Shane's hungry.

"Accompaniments such as mac-n-cheese, brown sugar baked beans, Brunswick stew, and fried okra are quite popular," Stork says. "And our sweet tea is a staple." If there's any room left for dessert, you'll find the perfect end to your meal with Shane's homemade brownies, cookies, cobblers, or banana pudding.

If the scrumptious food wasn't enough, Shane's offers daily specials Monday through Thursday, including Messy Mondays with your choice of a sandwich, side, and drink for just \$6, or Wings Wednesdays where you purchase 20 wings and get 10 free. Shane's also supports the local community by offering special discounts to military, fire, and police personnel.

"We offer curbside service, specialized catering for events, and even deliver Valley-wide 365 days a year," Stork says.

Whether you're looking to dine in and enjoy the casual family atmosphere or enjoy the delicious BBQ in the comfort of your own home, Shane's Rib Shack is everything you've been craving and more.

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