



## Claudia Orr

February 17, 1912 - May 8, 2011

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Adult Education Program in Okmulgee and from 1979 to 1991 she taught math at OSU-Okmulgee to students who needed to complete their GED. Then she retired for the second time.

Claudia has been a member of the OREA (Oklahoma Retired Education Association), Okmulgee County Retired School Employees Association, NEA (National Education Association), OEA (Oklahoma Education Association), National Association for Guidance and Counseling, Oklahoma Personnel in Guidance and Counseling, Association of Elementary Supervisors, PTA (Parent Teacher Association, AAUW (American Association of University Women), AARP (American Association of Retired Persons), Kappa Mu Epsilon (Mathematics Fraternity), Gamma Epsilon Alpha, Phi Kappa Phi (Honor Society), DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution), Ball (Be Active Live Longer), and Women's Ministry. She also was a founding member of The Classroom Teachers in Okmulgee and served as its president for two years. Over the years, she has held other offices in the organizations, which she has been a member. Claudia was also an active member of the First Assembly of God Church in Okmulgee where she has been a Sunday school teacher for many years. She enjoyed working in her church, gardening, reading, working puzzles, Sudoku, sewing, playing solitaire, walking and attending meetings. Claudia was married to Lydle Orr from 1941 until his death in 1991. She was also preceded in death by one brother, Tannis Wooten; and five sisters, Zenobia Scott, Jewell Scheomann, Wilma Ballard, Ruby Coon and Mabel Dunnaway.

She is survived by one daughter Carolyn and her husband David Jones of Okmulgee, one granddaughter, Heather Harley, a great-grandson Austin Harley, several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 3 PM at the Morris Cemetery Chapel with Pastor Raymond Doke officiating. Services are under the direction of the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home in Okmulgee. As an expression of sympathy donations may be sent to: First Assembly of God, 301 N. Seminole, Okmulgee, OK 74447 or Hope Harbor Children's Home, P.O.

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# Previous Events

## Service

MAY 10. 3:00 PM (CT)

Morris Cemetery Chapel  
Morris, OK

# Tribute Wall



“ *Claudia Orr*

December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *SHE WAS A WONDERFUL EDUCATOR WHOM I WILL PERSONALLY REMEMBER! MAY PEACE BE WITH YOU ON THESE DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE AND SORROW!###imported-begin###JEANNE ACTON (LOMAS)###imported-end###*

May 11, 2011 at 10:38 AM



“ *She was a wonderful educator and friend. I will cherish all the wonderful memories i have of her. There will never be another person ever like her she was special. She was stern but compassionate and wanted to bring out the best in everyone. Heaven has a wonderful new addition and no doubt she is teching someone there. Shw will be missed but always cherished.###imported-begin###susan pope ###imported-end###*

May 11, 2011 at 09:12 AM



“ *Carolyn: What a neat lady your Mother was for so many years. Your family is my thoughts and prayers.  
Kathryn Hopkins Danner  
Norman, OK###imported-begin###Kathryn Hopkins Danner###imported-end###*

May 10, 2011 at 09:47 PM



“ Mrs. Orr was my 4th grade teacher at Wilson in the late '50's. I have never forgotten her! She was such a blessing to all of us; her kindness was legendary. You are so blessed to have her as a mentor to all of your family.##imported-begin##Joy Fuller##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 09:22 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Orr was a wonderful "Lady". No matter where I would see her she always had a smile & a greeting and always looked every bit the lady that she was. She had a way of always making you feel better just by speaking with her. God bless & keep you and know that God now has the joy of the company of Mrs. Orr.##imported-begin##Sherrie Smith##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 05:44 PM



“ Carolyn and David, I'm so sorry for your loss. No matter how old or how young, we are never ready to loose our parents. May God comfort your hearts and give you the Peace that abounds. He will never leave you or put you on your own. My best to you,  
Barbara##imported-begin##Barbara Gill Lepper##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 05:05 PM



“ Carolyn and family,  
We are thankful for the life and influence of your mother. May the Lord provide grace and peace to you during this season in your lives.##imported-begin##Omer ##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 04:33 PM



“ CAROLYN I AM SORRY ABOUT YOUR MOTHER PASSING, SHE LIVE A RICH FULL LIFE I HAVE SOME VERY FOND MEMORIES OF HER, MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY TODAY. GOD BESS YOU.##imported-begin##SUE ( SPETTER ) CULBERT##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 01:14 PM



“ Carolyn & family, My deepest sympathy and prayers for God's grace to cover you in this time of great loss. What a full wonderful life your mom lived, I'm sure she touched lives that you may never know about. My mother left us on January 4th and it still seems so unreal. We received a note "God will not take you where His grace will not protect you". My thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Char OHS 1960##imported-begin##Char Adams##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 12:46 PM



“ Our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy to you and your family on your loss!##imported-begin##Johjn Lewis##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 12:08 PM



“ A great lady to be remembered. My sincere sympathy to Carolyn and David.##imported-begin##Jeneane Campbell##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 10:40 AM



“ Carolyn & Family,

*We are so sorry about the passing of Mrs. Orr. She lived her entire life with beauty and grace. She was a blessing to all who crossed her path and she made the be pecan pies. On behalf of the Bird family we love you and you continue to be in our paryers.*

*Lynn Bird-McCrary##imported-begin##Lynn Bird  
McCrary##imported-end##*

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May 10, 2011 at 10:12 AM



“ *Mrs. Orr was my 6th grade teacher at Wilson Elementary. She was a wonderful teacher and I enjoyed being in her class very much. Mrs. Orr was a faithful Christian and was very close to her Lord. It was a true honor being in her class and knowing her all the years. She and her era of teachers will never be matched again.##imported-begin##Tom Payne##imported-end##*

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May 10, 2011 at 07:13 AM