



Elsie Gaye Bivins

June 25, 1927 - October 20, 2011

Elsie Gaye Bivins was a resident of Beggs, OK and left us to be with her long lasting love on October 20, 2011. Gaye was born in Caretta, West Virginia to John and Florence Adams Richardson on June 25, 1927. They later settled in Aberdeen, MD at the APG where her father retired as a cook in the army. After graduating high school, Gaye worked in a shoe factory making shoes. In 1947, she met Gerald Bivins Sr. and they were married in 1948 in Reno, NV and finally wound up settling in Beggs, OK where Gerald was born. They continued their life till his death in 2008. Together, they had 6 children. She was preceded in death by Gerald Sr., one daughter Jacqueline, one step daughter Patricia, one great grandson Quinton, her parents; John and Florence Richardson, her brothers; Johnny, Bobby and Herbie Richardson and her sisters; Lee Richardson and Ruth Culler.

Left to cherish her memories is her daughter Brenda Silkebakken in Muskogee, sons; Gerald Bivins Jr and wife DeeDee in Beggs, Stephen and wife Patricia in Beggs and Randy in Tulsa. Also 15 grandchildren; Holly Silkebakken, Tracy Bivins, Greg Bivins, Jay Bivins, Colby Bivins, Andrew Bivins, Candy Satterfield, Mindy Wahnee, Michelle Johnson, Brian Waddell, Sara Waddell, Michael Bivins, Jacqueline Bivins, Chasta Bivins and Bobby Bivins and fifteen great grandchildren.

Her grandsons will act as pallbearers.

Funeral services will be on Wednesday, October 26 at 2 PM at the First Baptist Church in Beggs with Thom Chappelle officiating. Interment will be in

the Beggs Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday from 1:00 – 8:00 PM at the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home in Beggs. Condolences may be made at mcclendon-winters.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25**. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home Chapel
303 E. 7th Street
Okmulgee, OK

Service

OCT **26**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church

Tribute Wall



“ *Elsie Gaye Bivins*

December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Not a day goes by that I don't think of you. Everyone misses you so much Grandma. I am blessed to have had the 19 years spent with you. I wish there was more but I will always have the memories of our family and you together. I'll never forget the stories you told me. You were my inspiration to become a strong, successful woman. I will always carry a part of you with me for that. I love you so much.##imported-begin##Jackie Bivins##imported-end##*

November 20, 2011 at 04:33 PM



“ *Amazing woman, that I got blessed with as a grandma. I love you & miss you so much, your everything to me there won't be a day that goes by that you will not cross my mind. I love you ALWAYS & FOREVER!##imported-begin##Chasta Bivins##imported-end##*

October 29, 2011 at 07:15 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. She was an awesome lady. We had the upmost respect for her. Loved when she would come to the steakhouse to eat. She always had a new story to tell me. Prayers are with your family at this time.##imported-begin##marie lheureux##imported-end##*

October 26, 2011 at 01:42 PM



“ Our lives were brought together many years ago, we were a part of a church family that raised our children together, you held my son and daughter in the nursery and answered many questions in my life as a mother and wife I will never forget you. Love in Christ Karen###imported-begin###Karen Brownfield Stroud###imported-end##

October 24, 2011 at 09:25 PM



“ my heart and prayers go out to the bevins family, i am sorry for your loss. gaye and i used to be very good friends, she was a wonderful and caring person, and i know you will truly miss her. sue culbert###imported-begin###sue culbert###imported-end##

October 22, 2011 at 06:51 PM



“ *Grandma Gaye I love you so much. I wish I had made it one more time to see you. So glad we got to spend that evening together in Sapulpa enjoying a dinner, pushing you in a wheelchair, and talking about our lives. I love you more than any other woman in my life besides my mother. You truly were my grandma. You adopted me and my family ten years ago and have done so much with me and for you. You were always there for me. I have so, so many fond memories of you and I. I miss kissing your lips, rubbing your feet, laughing with you, gossiping with you, cooking fried oysters together and fried mushrooms, hearing your voice singing at church, hearing your stories about life and love. You gave me so much wisdom and grace. You did for me unceasingly. You were always there for me. I wish I could bring you a cheesecake or an ice cream one more time. Wish we could share some fried green beans just once more. Wish I could hear your witty humor. I love you so much. I love your family. Thank you for letting me be a part of you, your legacy. We love you. Always. I am so sad for me, but so happy that you are now in Heaven with our Lord and with Grandpa! I will miss you!*

*Christy, Wyatt, & Gracelyn##imported-begin##Christy North
(Woods)##imported-end##*

October 21, 2011 at 04:22 PM