



Jeannine Spencer

November 27, 1928 - February 13, 2022

Jeannine Fiori Spencer, age 93, of Okmulgee passed away Sunday morning, February 13, 2022 at St. Francis Hospital, Muskogee from COVID complications.

She was born on November 27, 1928 in Niagara Falls, New York to Carlo and Rose Fiori. She was the second youngest eight siblings. After graduating high school, she continued her education and earned a Bachelor of Arts from Maryville College in Maryville, TN, and continued with Seminary studies. She was married to the Reverend J. Rodgers Spencer on June 20, 1958 and enjoyed 61 years of marriage and sharing his ministry. She worked teaching children, youth and adults in Bible study as well as serving as church clerk. She wrote many special programs for the seasons each year during their pastorates in Indiana, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Texas, and Oklahoma. Her home was always known as a place for fellowship and delicious food. As they left each church, those friendships always continued to be shared through the years. Jeannine enjoyed collecting nativity sets and would display hundreds of them. She also collected and wore crosses on her neck and had a large assortment.

Their marriage was blessed with the birth of twin sons, and the sadness of losing one of the twins, J. Morris, following corrective heart surgery as a young boy.

In Okmulgee, Jeannine enjoyed working as the Children's Librarian of the Okmulgee Public Library. Often children would see her in town and run to "the

lady that read them stories". She loved books and her house was filled with hundreds of them. Her book reviews were very entertaining and nonprofit groups were able to raise money selling tickets to her book reviews. Jeannine was a faithful volunteer and officer of the hospital Auxiliary, Creek Council House Museum, Friends of the Library, and The Historical Society. She leaves behind a legacy of love not only for her family but also for community and fellow person. Her life teaches us to bless others with all the kindness we can muster.

Jennine was preceded in death by her husband, J. Rodgers, son J. Morris, parents, and all her siblings.

Mrs. Rodgers is survived by her son C. Rodgers and daughter-in-law Pam of Crossville, TN, grandchildren Anthony and Belen Spencer, Carrie Spencer, Karen and Jeff Fehner, Keith and Verena Spencer and Kyle Spencer and several great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

A Memorial service will be held 11:00 A.M., Saturday, March 5, 2022 at the First Presbyterian Church with Reverends Ann LaMar and Lynn Simpson officiating.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home of Okmulgee. Memories, condolences, photos and videos may be shared with the family on Jeannine's Tribute Page of our website at www.mcclendon-winters.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 5 (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
401 South Seminole
Okmulgee, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Jeannine Spencer*

December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Kim Angle lit a candle in memory of Jeannine Spencer*



Kim Angle - March 15, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ *Wonderful sweet lady*

Nicole Jackson - March 07, 2022 at 04:27 AM



“ *I knew Jeannine first as the children's librarian at the Okmulgee Library when my children were young and later when I worked at the Okmulgee Hospital where Jeannine volunteered and worked in the gift shop and the snack bar. She made the best milk shakes! She also helped train one of my daughters when she became a candy striper at the hospital as she did many others. She was so kind and friendly and always displayed a readiness to help someone. She'll be greatly missed in our community.*

Mary Brown - March 01, 2022 at 05:39 AM

LC

“ Jeannine was such a sweet and special person. I had the privilege of meeting her and Rodgers when we became members of the First Presbyterian Church in Okmulgee. Sending love and prayers to comfort you in her passing. God Bless!

*Cris, Lydia and Colin Campbell
Amanda Campbell Ray*

Lydia Campbell - February 23, 2022 at 05:53 PM

DB

“ Such a Lady and a good friend to many! Always willing to help or assist anyone, especially children at the Library. Always ready to help at the Library Book Sales. We will miss Jeannine very much!

Donna Boss-Martin - February 21, 2022 at 08:55 PM

LT

“ Lisa Juneau Toney lit a candle in memory of Jeannine Spencer



Lisa Juneau Toney - February 19, 2022 at 08:32 AM

DM

“ met at the library in okmulgee, oklahoma. such a sweet & twinkle-eyed giving gal. god bless & peace, ya'll.



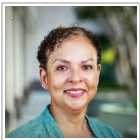
david miller - February 18, 2022 at 03:43 PM

MS

“ Jeannine made our wedding reception so memorable, with all the simplicity. She went above and beyond to make sure it was "low-key", as we asked, back in 1990. She had to come get me, for the wedding, as I was standing at the wrong door, at the church, waiting for the cue to start. She was laughing so hard!!!

Martha and David Sanders

Martha Sanders - February 18, 2022 at 03:27 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Mrs. Spencer's passing and sending condolences to the family.

Robin Taylor - February 18, 2022 at 12:43 AM

JC

“ Jeannine was a neat little lady, precise, organized and very efficient. I met her as a 'Friend of the Library" and enjoyed working with her on several projects. We both had the same first name and I had a great time teasing her about the spelling. She assured me her name was spelled correctly and in turn I said mine was original. A pleasure to know and a good friend.



Jeneane Campbell - February 16, 2022 at 09:35 PM