



Norma Kathleen Smelser

June 30, 1928 - August 23, 2009

Norma Kathleen Smelser 81 came to this world June 30, 1928 in Okmulgee, the daughter of Claud Lee and Dora Anna (Peters) Grissom. She left our world August 23, 2009 in Okmulgee.

She is survived by her husband of sixty-two years, Lonnie Wade Smelser, her daughter Lana Jacobs and husband Melvin, her brother Rev. C. Larry Grissom and wife Carolyn, a nephew Scott Grissom and wife Kelly and daughter Alex, a nephew Andre' Grissom, a niece LeAnna Grissom and many other loving relatives and friends.

Funeral service will be on Thursday, August 27, 2009 at 10:00 AM at the Gospel Tabernacle in Henryetta, Oklahoma. Rev. C. Larry Grissom will officiate. Visitation will be 5-8 PM on Wednesday at the McClendon-Winters Funeral Home in Okmulgee. Pallbearers are Chris Ledbetter, Jack Lawson, Dwaine Vaughan, Andre' Grissom, David Edmonds, and Melvin Jacobs.

Previous Events

Service

AUG 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

Gospel Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church
406 West Spruce
Henryetta, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Norma Kathleen Smelser*

December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Norma was the sister I never had...a true friend in every sense of the word. She had such a gentle spirit that when I felt anxious, just being in the room with her was calming. She was the "hub" of all of our holidays with her beautiful & gracious ways of entertaining & culinary skills. She will be missed beyond words.##imported-begin##Carolyn Grissom##imported-end##*

August 29, 2009 at 08:36 PM



“ *Dear Lonnie,Lana & Family
We send our love and prayers that God will comfort you thru this difficult time.
Bill & Kaye Theobald##imported-begin##Bill & Kaye
Theobald##imported-end##*

August 28, 2009 at 12:52 AM



“ Thanks so much for all the kind comments and the support of dear friends. Norma Smelser was a precious lady and a true gift from God. I have never known anyone with such a kind and gentle nature. She loved her husband and her family and just sitting and visiting with her was always such a treasure and will be sorely missed. Although many are grieving at her passing and it is difficult to accept, I take comfort that God reached down and took her to the sunny banks of sweet deliverance. It is my hope to see her again soon.##imported-begin##André Grissom##imported-end##

August 27, 2009 at 11:36 PM



“ Thinking of you, praying for you.##imported-begin##Kevin & Kathy Fisher##imported-end##

August 27, 2009 at 01:34 PM



“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Norma. Very sweet person and wonderful neighbor. God has called another one of his Angels home.##imported-begin##Tim & Annette Stewart##imported-end##

August 26, 2009 at 04:35 PM



“ Bro. Lonnie, even though many years have gone by since our days at the San Jose church, you and Sis. Norma will always have a special place in my heart. She was warm and kind and ever so gracious. I will never forget her.

Lana, my heart and tears are with you. You have so many beautiful memories of your mother to hold dear. Cherish them.

Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Alice Drobshoff Gatz##imported-end##

August 26, 2009 at 03:58 PM



“ Norma was a wonderful Sister-in-law. Although soft spoken, her life spoke volumes of her faithfulness to the Lord and her precious family. Our prayers are with Lonnie, Lana and Melvin, and Larry and Carolyn and family.

John and Rachel Smelser##imported-begin##John Smelser##imported-end##

August 26, 2009 at 11:09 AM



“ It was our privilege to know such a beautiful lady. She was a saint and a lady in every sense of the word. We will miss her so much.##imported-begin##Charles and Janna Lay##imported-end##

August 26, 2009 at 09:41 AM



“ To all the family, we send our regrets. Bro & Sis Grissom, you have been dear friends for so many years and shared so much of our sorrow, we want you to know your in our prayers and will pray especially for Bro Grissom doing the service, I know that will be hard. Love you, The Ratley's###imported-begin###Beverly & Butch Ratley###imported-end##

August 25, 2009 at 04:01 PM



“ Bro. Lonnie, Lana and family: So sorry for your loss. You can know something is on the horizon for a while, but the season of passing always brings grief. We're praying for ya'll. Many memories!

David & Stephanie Hutton###imported-begin###David Hutton###imported-end##

August 25, 2009 at 02:12 PM



“ Uncle Lonnie and Lana,

Please know that our hearts ache and grieve with you...you and your family will be our prayers long after these next few days...I will always remember Ms. Norma has a most gracious lady, a gracious hostess and a wonderful cook!! I remember all of those sweets that she baked and you would bring next door!! So many wonderful memories...I do believe that it won't be very long until we are all together again!!

We love you,

Ray, Rhonda, Zach and Chelsea Wasmundt###imported-begin###Ray and Rhonda Wasmundt###imported-end##

August 25, 2009 at 12:43 PM



“ Uncle Lonnie, Lana and family-
So very sorry to hear about the passing of Aunt Norma, the true
"Proverbs 31" woman.
My memories of Aunt Norma are very precious to me, her kindness,
her soft spoken words and gentle touch will never be forgotten. I
remember sitting in your family room when you lived in San Jose
and looking at cookbooks with Aunt Norma and playing baby dolls,
she could always wrap a baby doll just perfect.
Uncle Lonnie, my heart goes out to you, Lana and the family. I pray
that the Lord will bless each one of you with HIS strength and
peace, especially in the next few days. I know they will be trying.
Wish we could be there.
Love you,
Teresa and family###imported-begin###Teresa Moss###imported-
end##

August 25, 2009 at 12:16 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. May God be with
each of you during this difficult time.###imported-begin###Billy
Fulgium Family###imported-end##

August 25, 2009 at 12:11 PM



“ Norma was the dearest friend to Jackie and I, and one of the sweetest ladies we have ever known!
Heavens gain is our loss, but we know we will see her again some day!
We will always remember the good times we had together, and homemade ice cream around the fire place. Norma, we will miss you until we met again!##imported-begin##Ralph & Jackie Gibbs!##imported-end##

August 24, 2009 at 07:01 PM



“ Bro. Lonnie & family, You are in our thoughts and prayers. Sis Norma was a very special lady. She is now at rest and in no pain. If Bobby & I can do anything please let you know.
Love, Bobby & Kay Christian##imported-begin##Bobby & Kay Christian##imported-end##

August 24, 2009 at 04:17 PM



“ Bro. Lonnie and Lana, I am so sorry to hear of Sis. Norma's passing. It is not easy to give up our loved ones, but the Lord has made a way for us to see them again. May the Lord give you strength during this time of sorrow.

Love and prayers to you and yours
Shirley Wasson Dominy##imported-begin##Shirley Wasson Dominy##imported-end##

August 24, 2009 at 12:51 PM