



Fleeta Joyce Nelson

November 13, 1934 - June 8, 2016

Fleeta Joyce Gilstrap Nelson of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed from this life and went to be with the Lord on June 8, 2016. Fleeta was the beloved wife of Coleman Nelson who she married on September 1, 1967. She was being comforted by family members at the time of her passing. She lived 81 years faithfully serving the Lord and serving others until her death.

Born November 13, 1934 in Haskell County, Oklahoma, she was the daughter of Roy and Edna Garland Gilstrap. Her mother passed away when she was one-year old. She grew up with out a mother, but she became a nurturing & loving mother and grandmother for every person that came her way.

Fleeta was a little lady with a big heart. As a follower of Jesus Christ, she loved everyone unconditionally always seeing the best in everyone and never saying a bad word about anyone. Where ever she went -- in the family, in the church, on the job, and even in the nursing home – her encouraging and loving spirit made a positive difference in the lives of those she touched.

She was a member of the Chandler Road Church of Christ where she often taught and cared for the babies in the nursery.

She worked for 26 years as an auto parts buyer at Basolo Auto Parts and eventually retired from City Hall after working 10 years in the City Treasurer's

office. She was lauded as an outstanding worker in every job assignment and made the work environment more fun for everyone.

Fleeta was preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Edna Gilstrap; her brothers, Dallas Gilstrap, Kenneth (Bud) Gilstrap, Jack Gilstrap, and Robert (Nub) Gilstrap; and by her sons, Larry Nelson and John Nelson.

She is survived by her husband, Coleman Nelson of Muskogee; her children, son, William (Bill) Goad and wife Rita of Edmond, OK, daughter, Vicky Watkins, Muskogee, OK, daughter, Nancy Murray and husband Jim of Acworth, GA, son, James (Jim) Nelson and wife Mary Gail of Muskogee, OK, daughter-in-law, Cheryl Nelson Bowyer of Muskogee, OK; her siblings, sister, Eloise Wibben and husband Charlie of Hugo, OK, brother John Gilstrap of Stigler, OK; her 15 grandchildren, Johnny Shane Nelson (Heather), Jody Nelson, Becky Nelson-Frey, Mary Katherine Nelson Varnell, Rueben Nelson, Amy Nelson Ashing (Michael), Lee Ann Nelson Garland (Rodney), Spencer Goad (Vanessa), Kelci Goad, Parker Goad, Bryson Goad, Ashley Watkins Rataic, Addison Watkins, Macy Murray, Braden Murray; 14 great grandchildren; many special cousins and other extended family members.

Funeral services celebrating Fleeta's life will be 10:00 a.m., Saturday, June 11, 2016 at Chandler Road Church of Christ with Minister Donnie Branscum officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhill Cemetery with her grandsons serving as pallbearers.

Cemetery Details

Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 10. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory
1830 North York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403
(918) 682-1500

Service

JUN 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

Chandler Road Church Of Christ
3507 Chandler Rd.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall



“ *Fleeta Joyce Nelson*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Fleeta and I met when we were in the tenth grade. She was in my algebra clas. We would do our homework together over the phone. We went everywhere together. I had the use of my families car . We both attended the Church of Christ, but different congregations. She was my Maid of honor. She surprised me in 2006, when she showed up at my 50th anniversary party. Neither one of us was very good at letter writing , but I never failed to see her any opportunity I had. My condolences to the family, I know you will miss her terribly.*

Judith (Keeth) Clancy - June 14, 2016 at 09:19 AM



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LS

She was one of the nicest, sweetest ladies I have ever had the honor of meeting. I enjoyed worshipping with her at Chandler Road. She always asked about my family. She will be missed!

Linda Satterfield - June 10, 2016 at 11:35 AM

TO

“ *Dear Coleman, Bill, Vicky and Nancy... I am so sorry to hear of Fleeta's passing... She was a Wonderful Woman... She has Always been a Blessing to Me and My Family... God Bless Ya'll and Your Families... Keeping Ya'll in my Prayers 🙏🙏🙏 Love, Ticia Owens-Skaggs! STL, MO.*

Ticia Owens-Skaggs! - June 10, 2016 at 09:14 AM

TO

“ Dear Coleman, Bill, Vicky and Nancy... I am so sorry to hear of Fleeta's passing... She was A Wonderful Woman and Very Loved by Everyone that knew her.... She has Always been a Blessing to Me and My Family... Praying for Comfort and Peace to All of Ya'll and your Families... God Bless 🙏 Love, Ticia Owens-Skaggs! STL, MO.

Ticia Owens-Skaggs! - June 10, 2016 at 08:48 AM

CB

God has lifted her to the best part. I will miss her as I know all of you will. May God bless you and give you comfort. Carolyn Bell Lubbock, Texas

Carolyn Moore Bell - June 10, 2016 at 01:52 PM

MJ

“ TO THE FAMILY MY CONDOLENCES AND MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS AND KEEP YOU FROM ALL HURT HARM AND DANGER.

MIKE JAMES - June 10, 2016 at 07:28 AM

WS

“ Such a sweet, loving lady and one of the best neighbors I've ever had the privilege to know. Always a bright spot every day in my life for 15 years. Bless Coleman and family. Take care of each other.
Sincerely,
David Scott

Wiley Scott - June 10, 2016 at 12:49 AM

EH

“ Nancy, so sorry to hear about your Mom. I don't take the paper, but Tim called to let me know. I know what it is like to lose a parent no matter how sick they were. Grieving will come and it will bring with it many tears. Let yourself grieve. Hold on to your faith.

Liz Hearn

Elizabeth Hearn - June 09, 2016 at 04:21 PM