



Geraldine Crawford

June 2, 1923 - September 12, 2013

Callie Geraldine Neel Crawford of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed into God's eternal peace September 12, 2013. She was a direct descendant of Nancy Ward, the last Beloved Woman of the Cherokees. Geraldine was the great granddaughter of Polly Beck, whose fateful death initiated the historic Goingsnake Massacre. She was born to Benjamin Calvin "Callie" Neel and Wilora Bee Neel in San Bernardino, California on June 2, 1923. Geraldine was brought up in Peggs, Oklahoma and attended Locust Grove schools where she met her husband, Grover Lee Crawford. They were married on April 1, 1939. He preceded her in January of 1979.

Geraldine was a talented homemaker. She showed her love for her family by always having an immaculate home. She learned to cook at an early age and never gave up her love of cooking as family and friends can attest.

Geraldine is survived by her brother and his wife, L.C. Neel and Ellen of Bixby. She is also survived by her four children, Ronald Dean Crawford and Nell of Council Hill, Lynda Scott and Larry of Edmond, David Crawford and Jill of Tulsa, and Shelly Crawford and Mike Haley of Muskogee; her six grandchildren; three great granddaughters; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers are grandsons, Paul Crawford, Brent Scott, Ben Crawford, Kyle Crawford, and also Jerry Noblin and Jayden Warner, and great nephews, Matt Norman and Ben Jackson. Honorary Pallbearers are Dexter Payne, Roy McCaslin, Kenneth Neel, Dwight Neel, Ronnie Norman, Brett Smith, and

David Moore.

The family would like to express their appreciation to Cherokee Elder Care and Christy Ridge for their care of Geraldine during the last years of her life. Special thanks and love to Betty Mauldin, who at critical times for Geraldine and her family, was there to help.

Visitation for family and friends will be from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Funeral Home, 1830 N. York St., Muskogee, Oklahoma, Sunday, September 22, 2013. Funeral services will be 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, September, 24, 2013 at Timothy Baptist Church, 5530 West Okmulgee, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Geraldine Crawford lived a life of integrity, Christian witness and character. She was well thought of, well loved, and will be sorely missed.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

7600 Old Taft Rd.
Muskogee, OK 74401

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 23. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel
1830 N. York St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Service

SEP 24. 1:00 PM (CT)

Timothy Baptist Church
5530 W Okmulgee St
Muskogee, OK 74401

Tribute Wall



“ *Geraldine Crawford*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *So very sorry for your loss of such a wonderful, God loving woman, your mother. Many memories of staying all night with Shelly growing up and probably driving her crazy with our antics....can still hear her saying....Oooooohhhh Shelly. Thoughts and prayers to you, Shelly and the rest of your family...peace and healing to all.*

Kim Wells Finley - September 23, 2013 at 10:53 AM



“ *Just heard that Geraldine had passed away. So sorry for your loss. I have many memories of her and Grover with my Mom and Dad and the railroad days. Thoughts and prayers for all the family.*

Lila Skinner Bell - September 18, 2013 at 05:04 PM



“ *My first memory of Geraldine I was about 3 yrs old. We went to church together and I was at her house often. She was always very loving towards me and always had her hair and makeup perfect and a big smile. She loved the Lord immensely and was passionate about knowing Christ as savior. So glad to have known her and have such joy that she is finally home. My prayers for the family.
Linda*

Linda Sizemore - September 17, 2013 at 07:57 AM