



Hazel Irene Cagle

July 11, 1926 - March 30, 2021

Hazel Irene Cagle Obituary

On Tuesday, March 30, 2021, Hazel Irene Cagle, loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother went to be with the Lord at age 94. Hazel passed away peacefully at Victoria Gardens in Frisco, Texas.

Hazel was born on July 11, 1926 in McLain, Oklahoma to Edgar Neal Purdom and Margaret Marie Hunnicutt Purdom. The first in her family to attend a college, Hazel received a degree in Home Economics from Northeastern State Teachers College in 1949.

Throughout her 44-year career in education, Hazel taught hundreds of students in Keefeton and Warner, Oklahoma. She began her teaching career at age 19 in a two-room schoolhouse in Keefeton, Oklahoma where she taught 1st through 4th grades and eventually served as the school's principal. In later years, she primarily taught 3rd grade in Warner, Oklahoma.

Outside of teaching, Hazel was a member of the First Baptist Church of Muskogee for over 50 years where she played the piano and baked cookies each week for her Sunday School class. Hazel served as the President of the Salvation Army of Muskogee, volunteered with the Five Civilized Tribes Museum and worked the local election polls. Hazel was also a member of

Keenagers, American Business Women and Oklahoma Retired Teachers Association. She was an avid gardener, newspaper reader, lover of Rocky Road ice cream, tea and coffee, and the owner of three cocker spaniels named Cakey.

More than anything Hazel loved her family. She nurtured all her children and grandchildren with undying love and compassion. Hazel never stopped teaching her own children all of the important life lessons, including how to be good Christians and care for others around them.

Hazel was preceded in death by her husband, James Oscar Cagle; her mother and father, Edgar and Margaret Marie Purdom; her brother, Conrad Purdom; her sister, Barbara Purdom Dunaway; and her best friends and fellow "Golden Girls", Marnell Norman Davis and Bea Cagle.

Hazel is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Marta and Kit Thomson; her son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Lou Cagle; granddaughter, Kali Thomson; grandsons, Michael Cagle, James Cagle, William Cagle and Kody Thomson; and great-granddaughter, Carter Cagle.

A funeral service will be at 2PM, Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel in Muskogee, Oklahoma. A burial will be held immediately following the services at Greenhill Cemetery in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Cemetery Details

Greenhill Cemetery

1500 N. York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403

Previous Events

Service

APR 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Hazel Irene Cagle*

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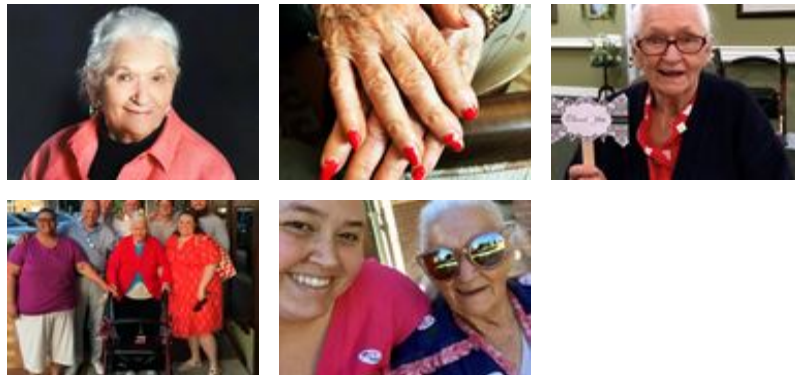


“ *Mrs. Cagle was an awesome teacher. Everyone wanted to be in her class. She made learning fun and interesting. We made chow mein, popcorn balls, cookies and many other things in her third grade classroom. She also taught her students kindness and compassion for others. She made a lifetime impression on me and probably every student she had contact with. She was one of a kind and everyone loved her. She is no doubt teaching in heaven because she had a gift to teach others. Rest in peace, Mrs. Cagle. you were the best!*

Cindy Smithson Stidham - April 17, 2021 at 10:51 PM



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SB

Mrs Cagle was my Third grade teacher in 1977 at Warner . To this day I still call her my " Favorite Teacher". She was a wonderful soul. She is the greatest example of what it means to be an educator. Thanks to her and many other teachers, she helped me become a Dentist. Heaven gained an Angel. She will be missed. Scott Breland

scott breland - April 07, 2021 at 08:28 PM

LC

Mrs Cagle was my teacher for 4 years at Keefeton, The most kind and giving person who loved all of us unconditionally, we could not have asked for a better teacher, she had no judgement against any of us, we were all the same and she made us feel special. I loved her dearly and will forever cherish those memories of her. Loretta Huskey Cunningham

Loretta Huskey Cunningham - April 07, 2021 at 10:12 PM


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Mrs. Cagle was my third grade teacher at Warner Elementary. I have so many wonderful memories of Elementary school...and they usually all include her. I can remember so many precious songs she taught us. She was one of my inspirations to become a third grade teacher myself. Heaven gained!

Jackie Chapman - April 08, 2021 at 02:06 PM



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RS

“ *Congratulations on a great career. You made a difference.*
Raymond D. Sewell, EdD

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“ *Hazel was such a sweet and caring lady. Appreciated her as a neighbor years ago. My condolences to the family.*

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