



Imogene Spivey

March 23, 1929 - February 28, 2014

Martha Ruth 'Imogene' Spivey, 84 longtime resident of Muskogee, passed away Friday, February 28, 2014 at her home. She was born March 23, 1929 in Yale, Oklahoma to Albert Sherman and Allie Ruth Marie (Bruner) Kelley. She grew up and attended public schools in Mazie, Oklahoma.

Her family affectionately remembers she was an artist and an expert seamstress, often making and cutting out her own patterns. She also loved to crochet and make quilts for those she loved. Her favorite pastime however was to throw her hook in the water (via fishing pole of course) and fish; this gave her great pleasure. Working in her garden and in her flower beds were among other things she enjoyed.

Imogene enjoyed being a homemaker. Her children fondly remember another profession she enjoyed as well—she was one of the first three policewomen in Muskogee in the 1950's. She really lived up to being “a pistol packing mama!” Imogene married the love of her life in the summer of 1961, William Lewis Spivey in Stigler, Oklahoma. They celebrated 47 years of marriage before his death in 2008.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her sister Evelyn Hambrick Pruegert and brothers, Odus Kelley and McCoy Kelley.

Imogene is survived by her son, Cecil Gene Burdan of Claremore, OK; her daughter and son-in-law, Catherine and Steve Scherer of Muskogee, OK; her brother and sister-in-law, Sherman and Delilah Kelley of Muskogee, OK; her sister-in-law, Louella Kelley of Jal, New Mexico; her grandson and personal

aid and caregiver, Sean Scherer of Muskogee, OK, her grandsons, Stephen J. Scherer II of Meterie, Louisiana and Ryan Gene Burdan of Tulsa, OK; her granddaughters, Melissa Renee Scherer of Muskogee and Laci Lynn Delibero of Bixby, OK; her great granddaughters, Zoe Elizabeth Price, Gabrielle May Hiler, and Kenlye Grace Delibero; nine nieces and seven nephews and numerous other members of the family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Imogene Spivey*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Melissa Scherer sent a virtual gift in memory of Imogene Spivey*



melissa scherer - January 06, 2015 at 12:11 AM



“ *Melissa Scherer sent a virtual gift in memory of Imogene Spivey*



melissa scherer - January 06, 2015 at 12:08 AM



“ *Thank you for your smile, and your wisdom, Grandmother. I love you.*



melissa scherer - January 06, 2015 at 12:03 AM

SF

“ Steve, Cathy, Cecil and family- Thinking of you at this time; very fond memories of Imogene.

Sam Fowler

Sam Fowler - March 06, 2014 at 02:53 PM

LM

“ Lisa Moore lit a candle in memory of Imogene Spivey



Lisa Moore - March 06, 2014 at 01:27 PM

LY

“ Catherine and Cecil and family.... the last I spoke with Aunt Imogene a few years ago was a really good visit between us. I'm so glad that we had that visit. I think it made us both smile. She was so glad to hear from me and I was so glad to be able to talk to her. I'm so sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort and peace for you all.
Love and hugs, Lynda

Lynda - March 04, 2014 at 01:26 PM

JR

“ We are very sorry for your lose of Aunt Gene. Going to miss her.
love you, Joyce Kelley Reich

Joyce Kelley Reich - March 03, 2014 at 04:32 PM

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“ I really enjoyed being friends and neighbors with the Spiveys. We did a lot of visiting on the front porch late in the evenings. The neighborhood will miss her.

Donnie Cox

Don Cox, (Neighbor) - March 03, 2014 at 12:56 PM