



Ione Bayless

May 15, 1918 - February 13, 2015

Ione Bayless, 96, of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed from her earthly home to her eternal home on Friday, February 13, 2015. She was born May 15, 1918 in Sharon, Kansas to Brown Neal and Zanoni Talliferro Sanders. Ione attended public schools in Kansas from which she graduated. She married Milton Howard "Tony" Bayless in 1940 in Atoka, Oklahoma. They shared more than 50 years of life and marriage together. She loved nothing more than being a homemaker for her family. Ione enjoyed being a member of the China Painting Club, Wauhillau Outing Club, and the "Sewing Club". She was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Muskogee where she taught the 5th grade Sunday School class and was a member of the Women's Missionary Unit.

She was preceded in death by her father, Brown Neal; mother, Zanoni Sanders; brother, Jim Neal; and her husband, M.H. "Tony" Bayless.

Ione is survived by her sons, Barry Bayless and wife Linda, Neal Bayless and wife Kim; grandchildren, Chris Bayless, Stacy Le and husband Thao, Lisa Bayless, Sarah Moore, Joshua Moore, James Hash, and Chasity Hash; great grandchildren, Keegan Hash, Logan Hash, Chad Davis, Caytlin Hash, Carver Hash, London Bayless, Madeline Le, and Avery Moore; many other family members and friends who will miss her dearly.

Funeral services honoring Ione's life will be 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Billy Parker officiating. Interment will follow at Greenhill Cemetery with Chris Bayless, Thao Le,

James Hash, Josh Moore, and Keegan Hash serving as pallbearers.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **14.** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

FEB **15.** 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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1830 N. York St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Visitation

FEB **16.** 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Family Visitation

FEB **16.** 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

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

Service

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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1830 N. York St.
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Tribute Wall



“ *Ione Bayless*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Ione and my mother, Eloise Reed, were dear friends from the china painting club and the First Baptist Church. My mom always talked about your mom's quick wit--how she would call and talk (and laugh) on the phone with my mom for hours. My mom is still talking about when "Ione's sons took her car away..." My mom will be heartbroken. She fell and broke her elbow and has been recovering here in Dallas. I haven't told her yet. Ione was one of her last contemporaries--if not the last. They will see each other again one day soon. Please know we are thinking about you.*
Jill Callahan (and Eloise Reed)

Jill Callahan - February 22, 2015 at 11:14 AM



“ *Neal*
I am sorry to learn about your mom. She was a very dear lady. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Kim and the rest of your family during this time. We miss you at Wauhilla.
Nancy Jane Winniford Ashby

Nancy Jane Ashby - February 16, 2015 at 02:24 PM

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Barry & Neal,

What a great lady your Mom was! I remember how much fun she was to be around at all of those wonderful family reunions that we had. Whether in Duncan, Hot Springs, Branson, Hawaii, or wherever, those were priceless times when so many of Tony's brothers & sisters were still alive & well. Those siblings had the best time together and lone fit right in. I specifically remember the times when Tony, lone, Billy & Dot would travel together to the events. Seems like they really got close as your Dad got older. She had such a funny sense of humor, and was just a wonderful lady. I know that my grandmother, Elna, very much enjoyed her friendship over the years. Scot Sampson

Scot Sampson - February 17, 2015 at 06:47 AM