



## Makayla I. Leach

March 19, 1995 - February 1, 2025

Makayla Irene Leach of Muskogee, Oklahoma earned her Heavenly wings on Saturday, February 1, 2025, at the age of 29. Born on March 19, 1995, in Fayetteville, Arkansas, she was the beloved daughter of Jason Baldrige and Trina Kester.

Makayla was a dedicated student and a passionate advocate for education. She graduated from high school with honors and furthered her academic journey to earn a bachelor's degree in 2021. Her quest for knowledge did not stop there, as she recently celebrated the achievement of obtaining her master's degree in reading in 2025, an accomplishment that filled her with immense pride. She was sure to remind her family she was the first in their family with a masters degree.

Makayla's legacy extends beyond her academic accomplishments. She was known for her kindness, intelligence, and unwavering support for those around her. Her warm smile and generous spirit touched the lives of many, leaving an indelible mark on her community.

Her greatest joy and biggest accomplishment in life was her daughter, Adaly. Watching Adaly play sports brought Makayla immense happiness, and she never missed a game, cherishing every moment on the sidelines.

Makayla was a devoted 3rd grade teacher at Woodall School, where she was affectionately adored by her students. She referred to them as her "babies" and took great pride in nurturing their young minds. Beyond the classroom, Makayla enjoyed coaching and was an active member of the power lifting team, where her competitive spirit shone brightly.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Fred Hill; great-grandparents, Junior Kester, Reba Kester, Joe Sellers, Bill Baldrige, Pauline Baldrige, and Reba Thomas; and the sweet guy that put a smile on her face and love in her heart, Timothy Warmack.

Makayla is survived by her daughter, Adaly Marie Leach of Muskogee; mother, Trina Davis and husband Clint of Checotah; father, Jason Baldrige and wife Christy Baldrige of Stilwell; siblings, Haley Gritts and husband Kasey and their son Kooper of Checotah, Tyler Baldrige and wife Shaelynn of Stilwell, Cash Davis of Checotah; bonus siblings, Kelsey, Allison, and Caleb Fourkiller, all of Stilwell; maternal grandparents, Eugene and Susan Kester of Stilwell, Billy T. Davis and Shirley Davis; paternal grandparent, Patsy Dixon of Muskogee; great-grandmother, Marie Sellers of Stilwell; uncles, Jr. Kester and wife Sarah and their sons, Trey and Sawyer Kester, all of Stilwell, Leroy Wallace and wife Shelby and their children, Gage and Skye, of Apache Junction, Arizona; along with soon to be born niece and nephew. She is also survived by numerous uncles, aunts, cousins, and many other extended family members and many lifetime friends. The "Fort" family who we all know came before everyone and Makayla's "other mother", Tina Hammer.

The family will receive friends from 6-8PM, Thursday, February 6, 2025 at Cornerstone Funeral Home.

Makayla's life will be celebrated at 10AM, Friday, February 7, 2025 at Muskogee First Assembly of God with Mr. Jared Callahan officiating.

Interment will follow at Stilwell City Cemetery with Albert McCutchen, "Coach" Billy Keys, John Hammer, Dalton Durossette, Trent Rose, and Garrett Yochum serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Tyler Baldrige, Cash Davis, Caleb Fourkiller, Kasey Gritts, Jr. Kester, and Eli Baldrige.

# Cemetery Details

## Stillwell Cemetery

Cemetery Rd  
Stillwell, OK

# Previous Events

## Family to greet friends

FEB 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

FEB 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

Muskogee First Assembly of God  
3100 Gulick St  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Tribute Wall

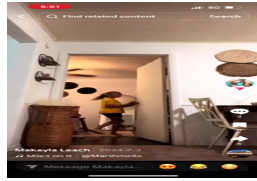
MB

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I will certainly be praying for you.* ”

Mona (Kester) Brewer - February 07, 2025 at 11:10 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes* ”



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - February 06, 2025 at 07:21 PM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - February 06, 2025 at 05:58 PM

TE

“ *Our family loved you so much! You were a blessing to each and every person who had the privilege of meeting you.* ”



Tabitha Estes - February 06, 2025 at 04:30 PM

FK

“ From Jaylie, Brandon, and kids purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



From Jaylie, Brandon, and kids - February 06, 2025 at 01:46 PM

BA

“ Ben, Dusty, Katie, and Addison planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Makayla I. Leach.

Ben, Dusty, Katie, and Addison - February 06, 2025 at 01:10 PM

BA

“ Ben, Dusty, Katie, and Addison purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



Ben, Dusty, Katie, and Addison - February 06, 2025 at 01:10 PM

SW

“ Stanley and Tonya Warmack purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



Stanley and Tonya Warmack - February 06, 2025 at 12:21 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Makayla I. Leach.

February 06, 2025 at 11:52 AM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



February 06, 2025 at 11:52 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Makayla I. Leach.

February 06, 2025 at 11:13 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



February 06, 2025 at 11:13 AM



“ 112 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory** - February 06, 2025 at 10:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of *Makayla I. Leach*.

February 06, 2025 at 10:10 AM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of *Makayla I. Leach*.



February 06, 2025 at 10:10 AM



“ *Hominy Ranchers fire department* purchased the *Forever Our Angel Bouquet* for the family of *Makayla I. Leach*.



**Hominy Ranchers fire department** - February 06, 2025 at 07:59 AM

LD

“ Where do I start, Makayla was so smart, KIND, loving, Beautiful and so much more, I could go on & on! She was like a sister to me and I will forever miss & love her! Fly high gorgeous girl! ☐



Lacey Durossette - February 06, 2025 at 01:05 AM

AB

“ Aaron, Mackenzie, Michael and Aubre Bald purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



Aaron, Mackenzie, Michael and Aubre Bald - February 06, 2025 at 12:26 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



February 05, 2025 at 09:27 PM

UC

“ *USFWS Oklahoma/North Texas Fire Crew purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Makayla I. Leach.*



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**USFWS Oklahoma/North Texas Fire Crew** - February 05, 2025  
at 08:52 PM

DP

“ *Dana Payne lit a candle in memory of Makayla Leach*



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**Dana Payne** - February 05, 2025 at 07:42 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Makayla I. Leach.*

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February 05, 2025 at 07:15 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Makayla I. Leach.*



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February 05, 2025 at 07:15 PM

RS

“ Roy & Sue Stacey purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



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**Roy & Sue Stacey** - February 05, 2025 at 05:29 PM

NC

“ NSU Reading Program Faculty & Classmates purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



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**NSU Reading Program Faculty & Classmates** - February 05, 2025 at 05:04 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Makayla I. Leach.



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February 05, 2025 at 01:27 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Makayla I. Leach.

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February 04, 2025 at 11:07 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Makayla I. Leach.* ”



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February 04, 2025 at 11:07 PM