



## Ruth Ann Briggs

March 25, 1938 - March 7, 2020

Ruth Ann Briggs, age 81, passed away Saturday, March 7, 2020 at St Francis Hospital in Tulsa, OK after a long and courageous fight with cancer. She was surrounded by her loving husband, children and grandchildren.

She was born March 25, 1938 in Clarksville, Arkansas to William and Dorothy (Higdon) Dismukes. She attended Muskogee Central High School and graduated from Henryetta High School in 1956.

On September 8, 1960, Ann married Ollie Dean Briggs in Muskogee. They celebrated 59 years of marriage. Together in 1978, Ann and Ollie opened a motorcycle shop, "Ollie's Honda Place." Ann also worked in accounting and with J.C. Penney's Styling Salon. She was a member of the American Business Women's Association and the Elks Club. Ann loved playing the piano, cooking, hosting holidays and events for family and special friends, and attending The Wesley Sunday School Class at First United Methodist Church.

She is preceded in death by her parents and her brother Billy. Ann will be remembered as a beautiful daughter, caring sister, loving wife, compassionate mother, adoring grandmother and an obedient humble servant of God.

Ann is survived by her husband and soulmate, Ollie; son, Paul Briggs and wife Mary; daughter, Lisa Rowsey and husband Jeffrey; brother, Alan Dismukes

and wife Cindy; nephew, Jimmy Bliss and niece, Casey Stewart; grandchildren, Madison and Court Rowsey, Jacob Briggs, Megan Green and husband Cody; great-grandchildren, Nicholas, Ryder and Easton.

Ann's family extends their sincerest gratitude to the staff of both St Francis Muskogee and Tulsa for the care and comfort they provided during this difficult time and a special thanks to Dr. Janjua and 4 West Oncology Nurses and Staff.

In lieu of flowers, Ann's family suggests memorials be made to Muskogee Community Food Pantry at First United Methodist Church.

A celebration of Ann's life will be 11:00am, Saturday, March 14, 2020 at First United Methodist Church with Reverend Mike Smith and Chaplain Cindy Culver officiating.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
600 E. Okmulgee Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Ann Briggs*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Marilyn Feary Williams lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ann Briggs*



Marilyn Feary Williams - March 14, 2020 at 08:41 PM



“ *67 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - March 13, 2020 at 02:11 PM

CW

“ On behalf of my mother, Belle Cahoon, who passed away last year, I wish to share many heartfelt sympathies to Ann’s beloved Ollie, her devoted family and all those who knew and loved such a lovely and kind lady. Mom met Ann and Ollie when they attended 1st Presbyterian in Fort Gibson, and instantly became close with them and Ollie’s sweet mother. She was excited for me to finally meet them and those past shared moments together became one of our favorite memories. And added joys were discovering that Ann’s Dismuke cousin was married to our Uncle Jim Brown and that I had met Alan and remembered fun times in Muskogee with him and friends in the early 1970s...Ann was gifted with an incredible ability to make everyone feel at home, in theirs or anywhere you might see her. Much warmth and love surrounded Ann and Ollie as they always happily greeted and chatted with you. They were a bright light together shining on those lucky enough to have known them. I am grateful to be among those now remembering many special times together and will not easily forget their sweetness and love toward my mother. She adored them and I am honored to share our combined love, respect and appreciation for Ann’s special place in our hearts. May remembrances of her sparkling brown eyes, warm welcoming smile and gentle touch be of some comfort now... Much love and peace wished you. Carolyn Watts

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**Carolyn Watts** - March 12, 2020 at 10:35 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Briggs.



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March 12, 2020 at 08:47 AM

JS

“ *Jacque & John Spencer lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ann Briggs*



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**Jacque & John Spencer** - March 11, 2020 at 05:51 PM

JC

“ *Jacque, John, Pat Spencer and Jeni Chaney purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ruth Ann Briggs.*



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**Jacque, John, Pat Spencer and Jeni Chaney.** - March 11, 2020 at 05:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Briggs.*



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March 11, 2020 at 10:06 AM

CA

“ *Ann was a great friend to my mom and dad! She always was there to help when I was out of town. Praying for Ann's family. Rest In Peace. Carole Ashby*

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**carole Ashby** - March 10, 2020 at 06:36 PM

MB

“ *Mickey & Eunice Brown lit a candle in  
memory of Ruth Ann Briggs*



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**Mickey & Eunice Brown** - March 10, 2020 at 10:07 AM