



Leona Marie Davenport

August 18, 1943 - March 5, 2024

Leona Davenport age 80 of Wayne, passed away peacefully at her home on March 5, 2024. Leona Marie Weeden was born on August 18, 1943 in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma to Dallas Lafayette Weeden and Cora Lee Weeden (Mooney). She grew up in the area attending Whitebead School and later, Pauls Valley High School. By chance, Leona met a young man at the drive-in named Jake Davenport and they quickly fell in love. Leona and Jake were married on August 5, 1960, starting their family soon after. In 1969, they moved to Wayne and called it home ever since. Leona raised her family, then began working outside the home with great success. Leona was a bold, bright businesswoman owning several businesses during the 80s, 90s, and early 2000's. For a time, she owned a bar in Wayne- "Jinks", then moved on to the convenience store business owning Tom's in Wayne, and later the Slaughterville Store. She worked seven days a week in these stores-and loved it! In her later years, she enjoyed spending time with her kids, and watching soap operas and basketball on T.V. Leona had a generous heart, always willing to help those in need. She was a treasured mother, grandmother, and friend. She will be dearly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

Leona was preceded in death by her parents, Dallas Weeden and Cora Jarnigan. Her husband, Jake Davenport, her son David Davenport, her grandson Brian Lane, and her siblings Irene Songer and Clifford Weeden. She is survived by her daughters, Jeanne Birkes and husband Roland of

Wayne, and Ronnie Davenport of Wayne. Her five grandchildren Amy White and husband Noah, David Davenport and wife Stormy, Macy Davenport, Larrison Stevens, Jake Stevens, Kristie Greb and husband Daniel. She also leaves behind great-grandchildren Kailey, Rya, Raylee, Rowdy, Emersyn, Charlie, Max, and Violet. Also, two great-great grandchildren Paisley and Kamdyn.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Tuesday March 12, 2024 at Little's Chapel, Wilson-Little Purcell, with burial to follow at Hopping Cemetery in Wayne, OK.

Tribute Wall

KB

“ *Leona was a very kind and sweet person. She will be dearly missed.* ”



Karen Burris - March 12, 2024 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ *We grew up in Wayne and Leona was a dear friend. Always in the convince store busy as a bee. She will be missed dearly. Rest in peace Leona and prayers for the family.* ”



Tony and Phyllis Madden - March 10, 2024 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *Leona is one of the kindest sweetest people I've ever known. shes missed and will never be forgotten.* ”



Keith Summers - March 09, 2024 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *We moved to Wayne when I was 14. She was the first person I met at Tom's. I would continue to see her the rest of her life. I am very saddened by this. I will miss her.* ”

Linda Holder - March 09, 2024 at 12:00 AM

VJ

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your mother, and sending prayers for the family!! I have so so many memories where are parents were friends and when we lived in Moore then going to Wayne school together!! Much love to you Jeanne and Ronnie❤️



Venessa Bebout Jackson - March 08, 2024 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ I was 5 years old when Leona married my uncle Jake, she was always a wonderful aunt to me , I will miss her very much loved her always, but know she's back with Jake now and they both are happy

Lanette Davis - March 08, 2024 at 12:00 AM