



Nola Naomi Shepherd

July 29, 1922 - October 25, 2020

Naomi Shepherd, age 98 of Purcell, passed away Sunday October 25, 2020, at Sunset Estates Nursing Home in Purcell. Nola Naomi Newkirk was born July 29, 1922 in Springtown, TX, 1 of 5 children born to John William Newkirk and Era Alma (Talley) Newkirk. She was raised in the Purcell/Wayne area and attended Wayne Schools. She learned at a very young age, the value of hard work. Inspired by Rosie the Riveter, Naomi fondly recalled her time working during World War II. She married young, to Lamoine West, and together they raised three sons, Larry, Norvel and Willie. They made their home primarily in Oklahoma City. Naomi worked as a baker for the Bond Bread Company for more than 20 years. After a short stint with Wonder Bread Co., she worked for General Motors until her retirement. Naomi spent the next few years, caring for her ailing mother. She later married Bill Shepherd and they made their home west of Purcell. She was a hard worker, a loving mother and grandmother, and leaves a wonderful legacy for them all. She was a woman of great faith and longtime member of the 7th & Monroe Church of Christ in Purcell. She will be dearly missed!

She was preceded in death by: two sons, Norvel West and Willie West; granddaughter, Marie West; her husbands, Bill Shepherd and Lamoine West; her parents, John and Era Newkirk and siblings, Florence Stone, JW Newkirk and Geneva Boyd.

Naomi is survived by: her son, Larry West of Purcell; Sister Mary Lois Newkirk of Sherman, TX; 6 grandchildren; several great and great great grandchildren

and a host of other family and friends.

Graveside Funeral Services are scheduled for 10:00 A.M. Friday, October 30, 2020 at Sunnyside Cemetery in Del City. Send online condolences @ www.wilsonlittle.com.