



Ora Dell Prince

June 22, 1929 - September 26, 2019

Dell Prince, age 90 of Newcastle, passed away Thursday, September 26, 2019. Ora Dell Cearley was born June 22, 1929, in Stamps, Arkansas, the 6th of 7 children born to William D. Cearley and Ora (Matthews) Cearley. She was raised in Stamps and attended school there. In a beautiful blending of irony and destiny, she met a young service man named William Prince at a funeral. He was home on leave and on their 3rd date, the 7th of May in 1946, they were married. Their first home was in San Diego, CA. They then made their home in Magnolia, AR and later in El Dorado, AR, before settling in Bethany, OK in 1956. Beginning at age nine and continuing to retirement, Dell was a beauty operator and worked from home in her own shop.

In the early 80's, Dell began decorating cakes and eventually turned this into a wedding reception and cake design business. Dell and Bill raised two daughters, Brenda and Debbie. She cherished her daughters and was actively involved in the lives of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Dell was a woman of great faith, and she instilled this faith in her family. She served in various capacities within the church. She and Bill were members of Tulakes Baptist Church and later First Baptist Church in Bethany. In the 90's, they closed up shop, sold their home and began to travel the country in their motor home where they often served as RV camp hosts, caravanning across the country with their friends and spending time creating lasting memories with their children and grandchildren. They moved to Newcastle in 2000, to be closer to family and joined First Baptist Church in Newcastle.

Dell was known for her warm, generous smile and her constant message of telling you, "I love you" when parting ways. She loved to share her knowledge of plants and birds; she could tell you exactly what kind of bird was sitting on her back porch or up in the tree simply by hearing the bird call. Dell was a strong woman and had a profound impact on the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing her; she will forever be missed.

She was preceded in death by:

Her husband, Bill Prince;

Her parents, William and Ora Cearley;

2 brothers, Doyle Cearley and Dub Cearley and

4 sisters, Lois Milwee, Marie Byrd, Ilene McKamie and Martha Bowes;

Dell is survived by:

Her daughters, Brenda Gauldin, and husband George of Newcastle and Debbie Hudgins of El Paso, TX;

Grandchildren, Annette Riley and husband Trent of Tuttle, and their family, Courtney, Mikaela, Stetson, Jackson and Gracie;

Vicki Boan and husband Bert of Newcastle, and their family, Ethan and Hansen;

Matthew Hudgins and wife Annie of Germany, and their family, Marianne, Christina and Augustine;

as well as a host of other family and friends.

Funeral Services are scheduled for 1:00 P.M. Tuesday, October 1, 2019, at the First Baptist Church in Newcastle, OK. Burial will follow at 3:30 P.M. at the Bethany Cemetery 63rd N. Rockwell. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that a donation be made to Oklahoma Interviewing Services at www.okinterviewingservices.com . You may send online condolences at www.wilsonlittle.com . The family will receive friends from 6-8 pm Monday evening, Sept. 30, at

Wilson-Little Funeral Home, 3132 Tri City Ave. Newcastle, OK.