



Zelda Frances Hicks

December 22, 1931 - November 14, 2018

Zelda Frances (Bridges) Hicks, of Durant, Oklahoma, beloved wife, mother, and family member died peacefully in her home on November 14, 2018. Zelda was born December 22, 1931 to Oscar David and Georgia Eathel (Arnold) Bridges near Willis, Oklahoma. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother, Ross Bridges, and her sister, Anita (Bridges) Harris. She is survived by her husband J.W. Hicks, daughter Jane Hicks, son Sterling Hicks, granddaughter Emma Jane Hicks, great-grand-daughter Londyn Rose Smith, daughter-in-law Suzy Hicks Herron, sisters LaWanda (Bridges) Walker and Chloe (Bridges) Armstrong, and brothers Harlan and Lloyd Bridges. Zelda paid special attention to all the family children, including her many nieces and nephews, for whom she arranged special outings, adventures, and parties. She was also especially beloved by the many Sunday school children she taught over the decades as a faithful member of Fairview Baptist Church.

Zelda was a great supporter and encourager for her family, her Church family, and her customers at Swearingin Insurance where she worked as an agent for 39 years. Her customers thought just as highly of her and for good reason. Her knowledge and insistence on absolute confidentiality for clients earned their trust. Further, her focus on looking out for their best interests converted many clients into life-long friends. She began work for Rector Swearingin and later grew especially fond of Mark Swearingin, Rhonda Rose, and Carla Burkett, with whom she worked closely. Her grace under pressure and her professionalism won for her the honor of Business and Professional Woman of the Year in 1996.

Zelda touched many lives and all who knew her will miss her quick wit and her never-failing thoughtfulness. Her family and friends invite you to come visit between the hours of 6 and 8 p.m., Friday, November 16 at Brown's Funeral Home, 4900 W Highway 70, Durant, Oklahoma.

A celebration of Zelda's life will be held at 12 noon on Saturday, November 17, 2018, also at Brown's Funeral Chapel. Brother Bill Ledbetter will open the ceremony then invite family and friends to speak, in accordance with Zelda's wishes. Burial will follow at Highland

Cemetery in Durant, Oklahoma. Pallbearers are Eugene Harris, James Lewis Thomas, Mark Swearingin, Kristi Walker Giles, Michelle Walker Fentress, and Emma Jane Hicks. Family hour will be Friday, November 16, 2018 from 6-8:00PM at Brown's Funeral Service.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.brownsfuneralservice.com. Memorials may be made to Baptist Home for Girls, 13976 Anthony Lane, Madill, OK 73446, <https://www.obhc.org/baptist-home-for-girls>. Arrangements are under the direction of Brown's Funeral Service in Durant, OK.

Cemetery

Events

Highland Cemetery
1620 Cemetery Rd
Durant, OK,

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Chapel Service

12:00PM

Brown's Funeral Service - Durant
4900 West US Hwy 70, Durant, OK, US, 74701

Comments



“ So many wonderful memories of this wonderful aunt. All the times at the lake where she would out ski everyone:) will be treasured always. She always made me feel important.

Mom will certainly miss talking to her everyday. She would tell me with a giggle and her great imagination, how beautiful I was looking over the phone.

She will be missed by so many.

So sorry we are not able to come be with y'all.

Love each of you. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Alicia Pipkin - November 16, 2018 at 11:33 PM



“ Sending love from Massachusetts. Zelda was an amazing woman and always so gracious and kind. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all....

Ann

Andrea

Jonathan

Ann Harris - November 15, 2018 at 06:56 PM