Clarice Ina Vessels

October 8, 1939 - May 2, 2025

Clarice Ina Vessels went on to rest in her heavenly home on May 2, 2025, in Durant, Oklahoma, at the age of 85.

Clarice was born on October 8, 1939, in Blountstown, Florida, to Guy Wood and Thelma Wood. She attended and graduated from Port St. Joe School in Florida. She married the love of her life, Kenneth Vessels on December 5, 1958, in Panama City, Florida. They spent many wonderful years together until his passing in 2010. Clarice came to Bryan County from Midwest City, Oklahoma, in 2001. She worked for the Sears catalog department for most of her life and was a homemaker. Clarice attended Mead Baptist Church and enjoyed sewing, cooking, reading, and spending time with her family.

Clarice is preceded in death by her parents; Guy and Thelma Wood, sister; Geneva Barfield, brother; Marvin Wood, brother; Edwin Wood, and grandson; Brandon Barfield.

She is survived by her daughter; Debra Tidwell of Flagstaff, AZ, daughter; Brenda Wittman and spouse Lloyd of Seminole, OK, son; Edwin Vessels of Del City, OK, granddaughter; Misti Draper and spouse Brandon of Moore, OK, granddaughter; Michelle Royse and spouse Casey of Flagstaff, AZ, granddaughter; Carrie Thompson and spouse Augustus of Durant, OK, granddaughter; Giavonna Vessels of Del City, OK, sister; Wanda Grace of

Port St. Joe, FL, and 6 great-grandchildren, and countless others that she claimed as kids and grandkids. The family would like to say a special thank you to long time nurse, Dakota Gorrell, as well as all of her care team that loved Clarice so well in the last several months of her life.

A family visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Brown's Funeral Service chapel in Durant, Oklahoma.

A funeral service for Clarice will be held on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 2:00 PM at Brown's Funeral Service chapel in Durant, Oklahoma, with Wes Shryer officiating.

The burial will take place at Woodberry Cemetery in Madill, Oklahoma.

Services are under the direction of Brown's Durant Funeral and Cremation Services.
https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/S57TFNXLHG5GG3GK

Cemetery Details

Woodberry Forest Cemetery

Madill, OK 73446

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY **7**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Burial

MAY **7**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Woodberry Forest Cemetery
Madill, OK 73446

Tribute Wall

Brown's Durant Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Clarice Ina Vessels

Brown's Durant Funeral Service - May 06, 2025 at 12:41 PM

DR

I have a special memory of Aunt Clarice that has stuck with me since childhood. I was very young and we were at Uncle Kenneth's and Aunt Clarice's house on base. I was a pretty timid child and didn't know Aunt Clarice very well. We were in the kitchen and she gently picked me up and set me on the cabinet. She got out a box of Little Debbie cakes and offered one to me. I had never had such a yummy treat from a box before. That began my love affair with Little Debbie cakes and Aunt Clarice.

Danna (Vessels) Raiber - May 07, 2025 at 07:01 AM

DF

Danna (Vessels) Raiber and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Clarice Ina Vessels.

Danna (Vessels) Raiber and family - May 07, 2025 at 06:48 AM

RT

Richard & Anne Taylor purchased the Simply Ele gant Spathiphyllum for the family of Clarice Ina Vessels.

Richard & Anne Taylor - May 06, 2025 at 06:34 PM

76 files added to the album Gallery of Pictures

Brown's Durant Funeral Service - May 06, 2025 at 12:44 PM

CB

This lady was so strong…she was the back bone of the family reunion for as long as a can remember(50yr) and includes when her and Mary brought everyone to Dallas to the park on military parkway…after the meal we played ball and some of the cousins would sneak off to the go cart track for some racing …I have so many memories I couldn't possibly tell them all but I love her dearly and I will never forget her.

carol bond - May 05, 2025 at 01:04 PM