



Mary Annette Hayes

May 25, 1942 - June 2, 2025

Services for Mary “Annette” Hayes, 83, of Sherman who passed away June 2nd, 2025, will be at Brown’s Durant Funeral Services in Durant OK, on Thursday June 5th, at 1:00pm. Viewing and breaking bread begins at 11:30am. Roger Speers will officiate. The burial will be in Silo Cemetery.

Annette was born in Bixby, Oklahoma, on May 25th, 1942, to J. C. and Dorothy Lee Biggers. She grew up on the family farm raising cattle, gardening and cooking.

She obtained a master’s degree from NE State College in Tahlequah, OK. She married Billy Ralph Hayes on August 14th, 1965. They called New Mexico home for two years. After moving to Rialto, CA, they welcomed Chrystal Renee in December of 1968 and Melody Lynn in November of 1971. Rialto was home until moving to Oklahoma in 1979 and then to Sherman TX in 1981. Annette retired after 35 years of teaching elementary school and then began volunteering for area hospitals and nursing homes.

She was an avid quilter, winning many awards for her talent. She also kept busy running the Chrystal Opry House at Melody Ranch. Many bluegrass, country and gospel bands played while patrons enjoyed her cooking at the concession stand.

She is preceded in death by her parents J.C. and Dorothy Bigger; brothers

Alva Lee and John Biggers and sister Rebecca Coffee.

She is survived by her husband Billy, her daughter Chrystal of Denton, TX and Melody of Naples, FL. Grandchildren include Nathaniel Robinson, Elizabeth Halperin and Hayden (Gracie) Halperin.

Pallbearers will be Ronnie Hayes, Scott (Melody) Belanger, Elizabeth Halperin, Hayden and Gracie Halperin and Nathaniel Robinson.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.brownsfuneralservice.com. Arrangements are under the direction of Brown's Durant Funeral and Cremation Service.

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/YCSHXHX2L3CH2MXR>

Cemetery Details

Restland Cemetery

Silo, OK

Previous Events

Viewing hours

JUN 4. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Service - Durant
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Brown's Durant Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Annette Hayes*



Brown's Durant Funeral Service - June 04, 2025 at 02:19 PM

MS

“ *Matt and Kara Smith purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Mary Annette Hayes.*



Matt and Kara Smith - June 04, 2025 at 02:32 PM

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“ *Matt and Kara Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Annette Hayes.*

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Brown's Durant Funeral Service - June 04, 2025 at 02:23 PM



“ *Mary H. purchased the Strength and Wisdom Casket Spray for the family of Mary Annette Hayes.*



Mary H. - June 04, 2025 at 11:26 AM



“ *Jamie Dolezalek Vozenilek purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mary Annette Hayes.*



Jamie Dolezalek Vozenilek - June 04, 2025 at 10:48 AM

JS

“ *Jeanne, Robert and Steve purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Annette Hayes.*



Jeanne, Robert and Steve - June 04, 2025 at 09:24 AM

JS

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Jeanne, Robert and Steve - June 04, 2025 at 09:24 AM

LH

“ *Annette has been a very kind and loving sister-in-law. We shared the love of quilting, so we spent many hours going to quilt shows, hording fabric and planning projects. Some of them, we even completed. I will miss her terribly.*

Linda Hayes-Litke - June 03, 2025 at 04:15 PM

DC

Annette was a dear sweet lady. She taught a quilting class at Fairview church for several years. I learned so much from her about quilting & life. Praying for God's comfort & peace to Bill & the family.

Dorothy Carlisle - June 03, 2025 at 09:42 PM

JZ

Annette was a dear, sweet, kind, smart lady, and she was a really hard worker. I loved being around her at the Opry, at blue grass shows, at the Senior citizens shows, and at church with her and Bill. She was perfect for Bill. Thank You, Lord, for Annette!

Judy Ziola - June 04, 2025 at 08:46 PM