



Mae Evelena McAnally

May 2, 1934 - January 12, 2021

Mae Evelena McAnally, 86, of Fort Cobb, Oklahoma was called home by the Lord on Tuesday, January 12, 2021. Evelena was born May 2, 1934 to Walter and Elna (Hancock) Klusmeyer near Lookeba, Oklahoma. She was a graduate of Lookeba-Sickles High School, She met the love of her life, Ira McAnally, at a skating rink in Hinton Oklahoma. On June 2, 1952, they were united in marriage in his grandparents home near Highland United Methodist Church. Evelena worked for the telephone company as an operator while Ira attended college at Cameron and OSU. She helped support the family by working at Sequoyah Carpet Mills and Fort Cobb Tag & Tax Agency while Ira transitioned from working for the U. S. Soil Conservation Service (USSCS) into farming. Evelena always said she married Ira because he was a college man, not a farmer. "Time changes all." God blessed Ira and Evelena with four wonderful children. Evelena was a loving wife, mother, grandma, neighbor and friend. Her greatest love was for her husband and family. She really enjoyed all the time spent with her grandchildren. She always looked forward to the Hancock reunions where she could visit and catch up with her many aunts, uncles, and cousins. After retiring from farming, they established the McAnally Tax Service to provide accounting and tax preparation services to the public with specialization in farming. Evelena was an active member of Fort Cobb United Methodist Church and later the Highland United Methodist Church. Evelena was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter in Fort Cobb. She was known for her great peanut brittle. She will be greatly missed by

family and all who knew her. She is survived by sons; Rex and wife Susan of Carrollton, TX, David of Rhome, TX, Tim of Enid, OK and fianc , Tracy Bowden Meyer of Kingfisher, OK, and daughter, Sharla Tapper of Norman, OK, Nine grandchildren, Christopher McAnally and wife Jean of Seattle, WA, Brett McAnally and wife Crystal of Georgetown, TX, Kyle McAnally of Los Angeles, CA, Caitlin Moreno and husband, Richard of Rio Rancho, NM, and Meghan McAnally of Guthrie, OK, Shelbi Tapper of Midwest City, OK, Courtni Covington and husband Dustin of Norman, OK, Kelsi Miklosko and husband, Steve of Frisco, TX and Kerisa Tapper and husband, Cody Gamond of Oklahoma City, OK. Four great grandchildren, Diesel McAnally of Georgetown, TX, Bowen and Ella Covington of Norman, OK, and Luke Miklosko of Frisco, TX, Numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Elna Klusmeyer, husband, Ira, brothers, Leon and Derol Klusmeyer and sister Gerene. Public viewing will be on Thursday Jan. 14 and Friday Jan 15 from 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. with the family in attendance on Friday evening from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M at Fort Cobb Funeral Home. Visitation on Saturday, Jan 16 will be from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. A small private burial will take place at 2:00 P.M., Saturday, January 16, 2021 at Eakly Cemetery under the direction of the Fort Cobb Funeral Home in Fort Cobb, OK. The family hopes to hold a Memorial at Highland United Methodist Church with all her family and friends later in 2021. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Highland United Methodist Church, 914 West Skyline Drive, Ft Cobb, 73038, in remembrance of Evelena McAnally. Services under the direction of Fort Cobb Funeral Home, Fort Cobb, OK. Messages of condolences may be sent to the family at www.smithfuneralservices.com

Tribute Wall

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“Grandma Lena was the heart of such a warm and loving family. We spent so many holidays in a home packed with aunts, uncles, and cousins. I remember all us kids sleeping on pallets in the office, trying to stay up late enough to catch Santa. We weren't supposed to wake everyone up too early, but as soon as 8:01 rolled around, we excitedly made sure everyone knew that it was time to get up! Very few of the McAnally clan are "morning people" so this was always quite an ordeal. After handing out presents and the chaos of a den full of kids unwrapping gifts, grandma would start on breakfast. Biscuits and Gravy has always been, and will always be, the breakfast of my Christmas mornings. After breakfast, everyone would sit around the living room, catching up on life and watching football. There was almost always someone taking a nap in the midst of the conversations. All of us kids would gather in the back room and play Nintendo for hours on end. Super Mario, Duck Hunt, and Tetris will forever hold a place in my heart as the games of my childhood. When we weren't playing on the TV, we played Uno, Jenga, or Spoons down in the den, and occasionally would put on "shows" for the grown ups in front of the fireplace. I'll always carry a big piece of Grandma Lena's kindness with me. When I play games with family, make biscuits and gravy, or watch nieces and nephews tear into Christmas presents, I'll remember all the wonderful memories we had together. While I already miss her so much, I'm incredibly thankful for the great times we had.

Shelbi Tapper - January 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Loretta Maggard lit a candle in memory of Mae Evelena McAnally



Loretta Maggard - January 14, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Order of Eastern Stars April 7, 1959 she went into Stars. Worth Maton 1972 Ft. Cobb was her chapter till it closed in 2001. I called Grand Sec. and got information. She was our secretary the whole time I was in chapter with her at Ft Cobb (1979). Know she was that before I joined. If you need anything holler. Love 💖 Pam

Pam Dyer Pledger - January 14, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ She was my mother's friends in Eastern Stars, when I joined she helped me through my first years. I went to church with her and always loved seeing her. She was a beautiful and great lady. God bless 🙏

Pam Dyer Pledger - January 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Over the years people have asked what my childhood was like? I would say to them, normal I guess. Then they would say, well didn't you have this or that. I would reply, no I just experienced love and played baseball! I never truly realized how special my parents were until as an adult I became aware others did not have what I had as a child. Amazing parents!!! An awesome childhood. And a life on a farm...Wow! A wonderful Mom! Tim

Tim McAnally - January 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ *A truly lovely woman and warmhearted and loving family. So lucky to know you! Warm thoughts and prayers Paula*

Paula - January 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM