



Nina Ruth Oxford

January 30, 1929 - January 1, 2012

Nina Ruth Nalls was born on January 30, 1929 at Grandfield in Tillman County, Oklahoma. She was the 5th of 14 children born to Orbie Delk & Nina Rilla Nalls, twelve of whom survived to adulthood. Clara Fay, Arnold, Catherine, Mary, Nina Ruth, John, Nathan, Lowell, Royce, Jimmy, Russell and Peggy enjoyed a childhood of work ethic and family love. Nina completed high school and started college but on July 17, 1947, she married Lawrence Evan Oxford, who told her he was going to be earning \$1.00 an hour and she just knew she would never want for anything again in her life. They lived for a time in California and when Lawrence was called into the ministry they began a life of humble service together. To this union were born 3 children, Larry Paul, Cheryl Ruth and Kelvin John. After pastoring in many towns across California, Oklahoma and Texas, they chose to build a home outside of Gracemont, Oklahoma which had been one of their former ministries. She and Lawrence eventually returned, but they divorced after 25 years of marriage. She never remarried. She was a caregiver. She worked for a number of years at Friendship Manor in Anadarko, but when she learned of her mother's failing health, she left her job, locked up her house and went to live with her parents to provide them with loving care until they both passed. She was there for 8 years. After they were gone she returned to the home that Lawrence had built for her. She worked for several years as a caregiver by day and perfected the art of spoiling her grandchildren with the rest of her time. Her grandchildren were the pride and joy of her life and the 8 years she spent caring for her

parents were the crowning achievement of her life. Nina is survived by her children: Larry Paul Oxford of Chickasha, Kelvin John Oxford of Enid & Cheryl Ruth Sage of Anadarko along with her son-in-law, Ronnie Sage & daughter-in-law, Kay; several ex daughters-in-law, with whom she maintained loving relationships; 8 grandchildren; 6 great grandchildren; 6 brothers; 2 sisters and an extended family who all loved "Aunt Ruth" as much as she loved them. Nina is preceded in death by her former husband, Lawrence Oxford; brother, Nathan Nalls and sisters: Mary Sanders & Clara Fay Edwards. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M., Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at the Smith Funeral Home Chapel, Anadarko. Services under the direction of Smith Funeral Home, Anadarko, Oklahoma. Condolences may be sent to the family at smithfuneralservices.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Know that our thoughts and prayers are with each of you.* ”

Lloyd & Carol Whitten - August 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM