



Kathryn Frances Bilby

July 20, 1927 - November 13, 2016

Kathryn Frances (Akers) Bilby, 89 year old resident of The Maples in Springdale, AR went home to be with the Lord and her "My Jimmie" on Sunday, November 13, 2016. She was born July 20, 1927 in Quanah, TX, the daughter of Victor Manson and Ruby Blanch (Williams) Akers. She married Jimmie Charles Bilby, Sr. on January 16, 1946 in Plainview, TX. They moved to Siloam Springs, AR in 1959 to join his parents in operating the Bilby Food Center on Wright Street, they later bought and operated the store. Later they put in Bilby Foods, which was one of the first businesses on the Hwy. 412 bypass, in the late 60's and early 70's. After selling the grocery store they later opened and operated Bilby Home Improvements until they retired in the mid 1990's.

Kathryn taught Sunday school for about 35 years working with children and youth. She also served as a Cub Scout Leader and helped with Webelows in Plainview, TX, served with the Parent Teacher Association for 6 years. She was a member of Bethel United Methodist Church in Siloam Springs, AR and was associated with Westside Baptist Church in Colcord, Ok prior to becoming a resident at The Maples.

Kathryn loved everybody and loved working with people in school, church, and all the customers she served during the years. She was dearly loved by many people including all of her care givers over the last 3 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents and three sisters, Rena Pelphrey, Lena Strain, and Geraldine Walker, and her husband Jimmie, "the love of her life".

She is survived by two sons, Charles Bilby and wife Carolyn of Siloam Springs, Leroy Bilby and wife Johnetta of Gentry, and one daughter, Georgia Bilby of Cookson, OK; two step-children, Mike Bilby and wife Tootie of Broken Arrow, Ok, and Peggy Harper of Tulsa, OK; six grandchildren, Jimmie Bilby and wife Kelly, Ginna Vincent and husband Mike, Victor Bilby and wife Michelle, Misty Martin and husband Jason, Chrisi Towery and husband Mark, Ryan Young, four step-grandchildren, Mark, Matt, Amy, and Alyson eighteen great grandchildren: one great great grandchild and one on the way; brother-in-law, Chuck Walker of Pensacola, FL, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at Wasson Memorial Chapel in Siloam Springs, AR with Rev. Robert Matney officiating. Burial will be at Oak Hill cemetery in Siloam Springs, AR. Visitation will be Tuesday, November 15, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Wasson Funeral Home in Siloam Springs, AR.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

2122 W. University St.
Siloam Springs, AR 72761

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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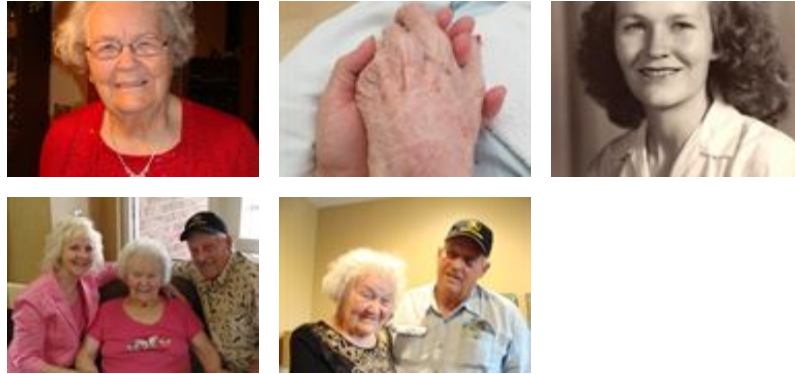
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Tribute Wall



“ 63 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wasson Funeral Home - November 15, 2016 at 02:49 PM

PR

“ Praying for the family at this difficult time. May God hold you in His arms and bring you peace. Praying for you all.



Phillip and Penny Rice

Penny Draper Rice - November 15, 2016 at 11:09 AM

DW

“ I remember walking a couple of blocks to Bilby's when my mother was pregnant with my brother to buy her an Almond Joy. That was the only time she really liked them. That baby is 59 now. Love and prayers for comfort and peace to the family and friends in this time of loss.

Debby Werle - November 15, 2016 at 09:56 AM

PA

“ *Pat Amosp lit a candle in memory of Kathryn Frances Bilby*



Pat Amosp - November 15, 2016 at 07:03 AM

DS

“ *Kathryn was one of the sweetest ladies I have ever known. This world sure could use more Kathryn Bilbys. She raised some mighty fine children, too. May God bless and comfort you in your loss.*

Donetta & Loyd Samuels - November 14, 2016 at 07:56 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Kathryn Frances Bilby.*



November 14, 2016 at 05:38 PM

RV

“ *May GOD Bless The Bilby Family in this time of their loss. Your Mama Was AS Very Sweet Person and is now at peace.*

Randy & Connie Vohs - November 14, 2016 at 03:49 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Kathryn Frances Bilby.*



November 14, 2016 at 02:27 PM



“ *Lex And Janie Cannon lit a candle in memory of Kathryn Frances Bilby*



Lex and Janie Cannon - November 14, 2016 at 01:14 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to your entire family on the passing of Kathryn. She was a beautiful person. I worked for her and "her Jimmie" at the grocery store when they moved it to the 68 Bypass and I was a 17 year old kid. They were so sweet and supportive to me. Again, I'm so sorry for your loss.*

Loree Foreman - November 14, 2016 at 11:59 AM



Always tough to lose the mama. All good thoughts to Charles and Leroy.

Gary Guinn - November 15, 2016 at 11:30 AM

RG

I remember us coming up there for Easter one year and woke up Easter morning and there was snow every where and your mom fixed the Easter dinner we ever had. I always loved coming up to see y'all. Another time we came up there for Thanksgiving and I remember all of us setting down watching Okla and Neb football game. I always loved that big ole house they had.

Ronnie Garrison - November 16, 2016 at 03:32 AM