



Nina Austin Steele

Nina Edna Austin Steele, 100 year-old resident of Gentry, Arkansas, died July 6, 2005, at her residence. Born February 17, 1905 in Gravette, Arkansas, she was the daughter of John Austin and Ollie Norman Austin. She lived most of her life in Gentry. She was the former Postmaster of Gentry and was co-owner/operator of Steele Drug Store along with her husband, Rai Steele. She was a long-time member of the Gentry Order of the Eastern Star and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Gentry. Nina was preceded in death by her husband Rai Steele; one son, Railey Steele; and one grandson, David Steele. Survivors include four granddaughters, Cathi Utley and husband Danny of Hermann, Missouri, Peggy Chenault and husband Zane of The Colony, Texas, Cyndi Holt and husband Bill of Memphis, Tennessee, and Rebecca Steele of Siloam Springs, Arkansas; one brother, John Austin and wife Wanda of Arlington, Texas; and one sister, Katherine Huffaker of Gentry, Arkansas. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Saturday, July 9, 2005, at the First United Methodist Church, Gentry, Arkansas, with Rev. Lonnie Nelson officiating. Burial will follow at Gentry Cemetery, Gentry, Arkansas. Visitation will be 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 8, 2005, at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Arrangements are under the direction of Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

Tribute Wall

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“ We delivered Meals on Wheels to Nina for many years and always enjoyed her positive attitude. She was a wonderful person. We will miss her on our Monday Gentry Route. Please accept our sympathy to your family. She was a great woman to know.

Terrie Ocheltree - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

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“ Katherine, you could not have done more for Nina. Mother has many pleasant thoughts of her childhood with your family. I'll visit you soon.

Love,
Sue

Sue & Milfred Anglin and Ruth Reasons - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

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“ Nina was a dear family friend and we loved her dearly. She will be missed. She was one of the few outstanding citizens left in Gentry. She was a elegant lady in her daily walk and very fun to be with. Her Eastern Star aviliation was outstanding. She shined among the stars!

Rita Fox - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM

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“ I am very saddened to hear of Nina's loss. I used to help my grandmother deliver her newspaper. I can remember Nina used to leave us snacks and stuff when we would come by with her newspaper. I think Nina was a wonderful lady. Love Chynna!

Chynna Cooper - September 19, 2012 at 12:02 PM