



Velma Heald

May 10, 1916 - August 5, 2011

Velma Lorene Heald, 95, of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, died August 5, 2011, at Siloam Springs Nursing and Rehab. Born May 10, 1916 in Elk City, Oklahoma, she was the daughter of Harry Allen Cavanaugh and Minnie Maude Atkinson Cavanaugh. She lived most of her life in the Gentry area and was co owner/operator of Heald's Service Station. She also was a cafeteria supervisor for Gentry School. She was a member of the Gentry Eastern Star and was a Pink Lady with the Siloam Springs Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Velma was a member of the Gentry United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband W.B. "Tuffy" Heald on October 22, 1997; her step mother, who raised her from an early age after the death of her mother, Myrtle Mayes Cavanaugh; one brother, Carl Cavanaugh; and one sister, Edna Lesnett. Survivors include two sons, Larry Heald and wife Judi of Okarche, Oklahoma, and Allen Heald and wife Flora Mae of Siloam Springs; four grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; and one great great grandchild. Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 8, 2011, at Wasson Memorial Chapel, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, with Pastor Jim Whisenant officiating. Burial will follow at Gentry Cemetery, Gentry, Arkansas.

Tribute Wall

MF

“ Tuffy and Velma were role models for all the kids growing up in Gentry. They always had a smile and time to talk to all of us. Velma was a great lady.

*With sympathy to the family,
Maggie*

Margaret (Maggie Lou Bement) Fritsche - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

BB

“ We don't get our Siloam paper here in Gentry (by mail) till Monday and I was so sorry to hear of Velma's passing. I only got to read it tonight.

I know she wanted to dance at her 100th birthday. I can imagine her dancing in Heaven now where she is young and healthy again. She was a really sweet lady and a beloved member of Gentry U.M.Church. May God bless you all. We will have many good memories of your Mom.

Brenda & W. Terry Bailey - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

NL

“ Velma was a very nice person. She enjoyed life. We had a 80year birthday for her at the hospital. I always enjoyed talking to her.

Norma Jean Lucas - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

GS

“ Grandma Heald was always so full of life and such a happy person. I have so many fond memories of spending time with her and Grandpa when Tony, Karrie and I were growing up. From fishing in Lake Eucha to playing dominoes and cards, she had an endless supply of love and joy in her heart. She was our measuring stick, and it was an exciting day when Karrie and I surpassed her in height. Rest in peace, Grandma.

Gina (Heald) Smith - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

KD

“ Grandma is now with Jesus in the room that He prepared especially for her. What a blessing for her and her family.

I will always remember her laugh and neat personality. She could tell Gina and I apart, but Grandpa never could!

Psalm 23

Karrie (Heald) Davis - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

BS

“ Allen and Family,
I am so sorry about the loss of your Mother. She was such a nice lady to know. I remember her coming into Roberts-Philpott Eye Clinic where I worked. She was always so jolly, made my day. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Belinda Londagin Shetlar - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

AM

“ I took care of Velma for about a year at the nursing home in Siloam. Velma was such a sweetheart and although we were strangers when we met, she was "Granny" when I left. Everyday, she would ask me "Are you Randy Bever's daughter?" Or sweet gestures of pinching us girls as we walked by where we least expect it. She always brought a smile to my face, her and Babe both. Sure hate to hear the news but the comfort of her being in Heaven leaves us with peace. Love you Velma Sue!!!

Alyson Miller - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

BB

“ Hello Allen & Larry

Having just gone through the process of losing my mother in January this year, I certainly understand the turmoil and sadness that follows the death of a parent.

Although I moved away from Siloam Springs back in 1975, I tried to keep up with Aunt Velma via our other relatives. I will always remember her by her cute giggle or laugh. It was contagious!

May it comfort you to know she was a kind and genuine person who will be greatly missed.

Beverly Brooks-Gore - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM

EG

“ Allen, I've always loved and appreciated Velma; especially for the way she watched after Babe. God Bless.

Ellen Gibbs - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM



“ *My prayers are with you and your family during this hard time.*

Patrick Pearson - September 19, 2012 at 11:24 AM