



## Wanda Lee Kimbrell

November 20, 1933 - May 29, 2019

Wanda Lee Kimbrell of Oaks, Oklahoma was born November 20, 1933 at home in Bokoshe, Oklahoma to Henry Theo Mills, Sr. and Audrey Lee Whiteside Mills. She married Billy Ray Kimbrell in Keota, Oklahoma on July 1, 1956 after falling in love while students at Oklahoma A&M College in Stillwater.

Wanda grew up in Keota, Oklahoma as the older sister to three brothers, Henry Theo Mills, Jr. (wife Johnnie), Bill Mills (wife Jo Ann), and Charles Mills. She graduated from Keota High School and went on to Oklahoma A&M College where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in Home Economics Education. She later received her Master's Degree in Education from Northeastern State University.

Bill and Wanda raised four children and enjoyed farming for many years. You rarely saw one without the other. She was a talented seamstress and excellent cook. She also enjoyed gardening, working outside and helping others. She loved kids, working puzzles, reading the newspaper, tootsie rolls, and cookies.

Wanda began her 28 year teaching career by teaching Home Economics at Stigler High School and then at Lenapah High School. After moving to Oaks she started the Head Start program and taught Kindergarten. She then taught Home Economics for twenty years at Oaks where she taught many students valuable life skills and helped her FHA members be successful.

Wanda was an active member of the Kansas Eastern Star Chapter where she

served as an officer for many years. She served as the Oklahoma Worthy Grand Matron in 1995-96 and Grand Chaplain in 1986-87. She was a member of the Delaware County Retired Educators Association and the Oklahoma Retired Educators Association where she was named as Very Important Member in 2005. She is a long time member of Oaks Eben Ezer Lutheran Church.

Wanda is survived by her husband Bill of the home; children: Larry Kimbrell of Rome, Georgia (wife Cindy), Gary Kimbrell of Owasso (wife Dee), Nancy Kimbrell of Oaks, and Kathy Enyart of Wyandotte; grandchildren: Kristen Young (husband Kurtis) of Tulsa, Audra Bryant (husband David) of Olaton, Kentucky, Erik Enyart of Wyandotte, and Jared Kimbrell of Texarkana, Texas; one great granddaughter Emory Young of Tulsa, two brothers, four sister-in-laws and one brother in law. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother Theo, Son-In-Law Rick Enyart, two brother-in-laws, and one sister-in-law.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Monday, June 3, 2019, at Oaks High School Gym in Oaks, Oklahoma; Burial will follow at 3:00 p.m., Monday, June 3, 2019, at Keota Cemetery in Keota, Oklahoma. Visitation will be from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sunday, June 2, 2019 at Wasson Funeral Home in Siloam Springs.

In lieu of flowers the family would like to request donations to the Kansas Masonic Lodge 252, c/o Bill Crites 16604 E. 504 Rd. Jay, OK 74346; or the General Grand Chapter's Order of Eastern Star Service Dog Project, please make your check payable to: General Grand Chapter, OES, Memo: Service Dogs, Minyon Shepherd, Co-Chair 316 Redford Dr. Moore, SC 29369.

# Cemetery Details

## Keota Cemetery

Keota, OK 74941

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 2. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Wasson Funeral Home  
441 U.S. 412  
Siloam Springs, AR 72761  
(479) 524-5131  
wasson@wassonfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.wassonfuneralhome.com>

## Service

JUN 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Oaks High School Gym  
357 West Main  
Oaks, OK 74359

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wasson Funeral Home Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Wanda Lee Kimbrell*



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**Wasson Funeral Home** - June 02, 2019 at 03:46 PM

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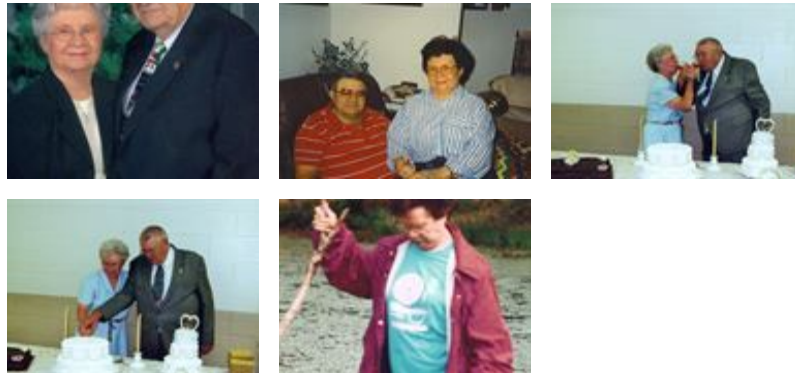
“ *Wanda was not only a teacher for the young, but also for those out of school. She was one that would strive to bring out of others their full potential in whatever they would be willing to try. The FHA was her platform, but the YHO was the next step. As for myself, she provided the pathway for me to reach goals I never dreamed were possible. The memories of those days are forever etched in my mind and heart. The fun we had through our travels, the disappointments that occurred that she gave words of encouragement to try again, the friendship we shared over the years. Thank you family for sharing her with us. She truly did make an impression on us all..she will always be remembered. Our hearts go out to you during this saddened time, but the wonderful memories, I'm sure, will help ease your sorrow as days go by. Of course, we can't forget Bill, as many of our travels included him in the YFO. These two people go hand in hand for their many years of service for the young and old. Thank you again for all you have done. God bless and keep you. Carolyn and Claude Martin and families*

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**Carolyn Martin** - June 04, 2019 at 12:20 PM



“ 56 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wasson Funeral Home - June 02, 2019 at 09:51 AM

KP

“ Kenneth and Patsy Poole purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Wanda Lee Kimbrell.



Kenneth and Patsy Poole - June 01, 2019 at 07:24 PM

RI

“ Mrs. Kimbrell was my Home Ec. teacher at Oaks. She was a wonderful teacher, person. She will be missed by many whose lives were touched and impacted. Family, so sorry for your loss. Thank you Mrs. Kimbrell.

Regina Chandler Isaacks - May 31, 2019 at 11:24 PM

RT

“ Little Momma will always have a Special Place in my Heart. She was Kind, Helpful and Loving.....She made 1995-1996 one of the best years of my life....I will never forget the day that she asked me to be one of her Grand Family. I had a Big Gulp. and after much thought accepted. When She spoke, we all listened. We respected her and she respected us. I will miss her so very much. Bill and Nancy, and the rest of the family, God Loves You and so do I.  
Roberta Thomas, Grand Marshal...

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**Roberta Thomas** - May 31, 2019 at 10:03 PM

LL

“ Wanda was a wonderful friend and will miss her. So sorry for your loss.

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**Lois Lewis** - May 31, 2019 at 12:48 PM

RK

Wanda was a beautiful lady insde and out! I've known her for over 60 years she was a sister more than in law! She was always the same where ever or when ever you seen her! I love you rest in peace sweet lady!

My deepest sympathy to all her family i love them all! God bless all of you! Prayers

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**Rena Kimbrell** - May 31, 2019 at 02:39 PM

MH

“ My Little Momma was always a source of joy for me. The ones she chose for her Grand Officers would of walked through fire for her. We always laughed because she was always soft spoken but when she got aggravated that little bull dog jaw would come out. So many good memories with her and of her.  
Mary Martha

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**Mary Hunnicutt** - May 31, 2019 at 10:33 AM