



Darlees M. Maxie

December 22, 1931 - March 25, 2025

The family of Darlees Moore Maxie shares the news of our mother's peaceful departure from her earthly home in Lake Kiowa, Texas, to her heavenly home on March 25, 2025, at the age of 93. Born on December 22, 1931, in Oran, Missouri, Darlees Moore Maxie's life was shaped by being one of twelve brothers and sisters raised on a family farm during the Depression, as well as the service of her four brothers in World War II. She instilled in all her family the values of God, family, and country. Her deep faith meant we were all charged with helping those less fortunate in our community and to resolutely confront wrongdoing with moral courage.

Throughout her remarkable life as a wife, mother, and entrepreneur, Darlees Maxie touched the hearts of many. She was known for her kindness, faith, and sense of humor, and her presence brought warmth and joy to those around her. A woman of strength, resilience, and grace, she overcame many challenges thrust on her by circumstances as a daughter, wife, and mother. She achieved great success in accounting and as a realtor while operating a plumbing business in Las Vegas, Nevada, years before women were accepted as equals. She lived a life with a bright spirit that inspired all who knew her. She and her husband, Glen, were renowned for their openhearted generosity, untiring work ethic, and unwavering commitment to each other and their family. They both left this world a better place for those who knew them.

Darless Moore Maxie was preceded in death by her loving husband, H. Glen Maxie, in 2019; her four brothers, Ben, Charlie, Glen, and Dean; and her seven sisters, Gladys, Norma, Thelma, Lucy, Esther, Frieda, and Della June. She is survived by her daughter, Tina Roberts, and her husband, Robert, of Plano, Texas, as well as her sons David Maxie and his wife Robin of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Greg Maxie and his wife Tamara, of Lovington, New Mexico, nine grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, and nephews who all have cherished loving memories. She also is survived by her wonderful in-laws; sister-in-law Anice Maxie Dominey and her husband Joe of Cleveland, Texas, and brother-in-law Henry Maxie and wife Ruth (who Darless taught in Sunday School) from Baldwin, Louisiana. The family appreciates her caregiver and co-conspirator, Tavia Josey.

Whenever the church doors were open, Darless was there, often with pies in hand. She taught Sunday school and worked with young women in her church's Girls' Auxiliary (GA) program. She loved to cook and serve a proper meal, setting a table, paying attention to detail, showing manners, and teaching us to honor others before ourselves. The Sunday table was a time for good manners and to invite newcomers to our table after church. Undeniably, she made the world's best strawberry pie. Later, she developed a passion for her lemon trees, which were used to make many fabulous desserts for her husband and friends. Her green thumb was legendary, and she nurtured her garden as she nurtured us. She always had a small garden and fruit trees to can and make a batch of jelly, which was also legendary.

Darless loved the outdoors and nature. She and Glen loved to fish and travel during their breaks from work and they made sure the whole family had opportunities for camping and fishing. Taking walks led to learning opportunities and a deeper understanding of the fascinating world of science. She loved to read and made sure we all had access to good literature, both fictional and biographical, to inspire us. Her world of wonder and science and

the act of questioning will never be forgotten and has been passed down through her children's children.

She kept a keen eye on politics and was a sharp investor, sharing these interests with those closest to her. The experience of the Great Depression and uncertainty led to her talent of knowing how to stretch a dollar. Above all, Darlees had a passion for caring for others. The impact she made on the world, along with her kindness and dedication to her family, friends, and those we didn't know, cannot be measured nor forgotten. She has left us forever changed.

A celebration of Darlees's life will be held on Monday, March 31, 2025, at Collinsville Baptist Church, beginning at 10:00 AM with Jerry Huggins and Pastor Tar Henderson officiating. Interment will follow at Collinsville Cemetery.

On-line condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

Instead of flowers, the family asks for donations to the Oklahoma Baptist Children's Home in her honor.

We will miss her hugs, her laughter, and her devotion to God and others. We will continue to emulate Darlees and Glen's tremendous legacy of service and care to those they loved.

Oklahoma City Foundation
PO Box 1146
Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1146

MEMO LINE: Oklahoma Baptist Children's Home

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church Collinsville
877 E. Woodland Street
Collinsville, TX 76233
fbccollinsville@verizon.net
<https://www.fbccollinsville.com/>

Interment

MAR 31 (CT)

Collinsville Cemetery
Church Street and Rodgers Avenue
Collinsville, TX 76233

Tribute Wall

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“ *I remember visiting with her at our Bible fellowship class when she was visiting Tina. A beautiful sister in Christ that will be missed until we are reunited in heaven. Prayers are being lifted for the entire family.*

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