



Nell Holmes

March 6, 1935 - August 4, 2019

Opal VerNell Holmes of Tioga, TX passed away Sunday, August 4, 2019 at Medical City Hospital in Denton, TX. Her daughter, Tonie Holmes, was by her side. Nell, as she was known, was born in Denton on March 6, 1935. Nell was the daughter of Walter C. and Frances V. (White) Reeves. She married Wilfred F. Holmes on November 21, 1952 in Denton. Nell spent most of her years as a dedicated housewife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Nell is survived by her husband of 66 years, Wilfred F. Holmes of Tioga, TX; daughters Vanessa Naugle and her husband Harold of Smithton, MO and Tonie Holmes and Don Davidson of Tioga; son, James "Booder" Holmes and Tim Hickey of Battle Creek, MI; grandchildren, Ciara Naugle Cain and Tyrel Naugle of Missouri and Blake Holmes, Grant Holmes and Victoria Holmes Laudermilk of Texas; great-grandchildren, Alex and Ziva Cain, Larry, Izetta and Orrin Naugle of Missouri, Mary and Charlotte Holmes, and Axel, Kane and Baker Laudermilk of Texas. Nell loved the special gift that was given to her by Victoria and Mitch for Christmas in 2016- a blonde chihuahua she named Oochie.

Nell was preceded in death by son, Wilfred C. (Nemo) Holmes and daughter-in-law Rhonda Holmes; special cousin, Mary Marie Morrow; and both parents, Walter and Frances.

Family was very important to Nell and time spent with family and friends was very special to her, especially the time spent with the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was an avid reader, loved to tend to her flowers, bird

watching, and watching old westerns. She also enjoyed going to Ft. Richardson in Jacksboro, TX to camp with family.

A celebration of life will be held 6:30PM, Friday, August 8, 2019 at First Baptist Church of Krugerville, TX officiated by Rev. Sam Redfearn and assisted by Jimmy Floyd Davis. Online condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com.

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

Tribute Wall

MA

“ *Rest in Peace*

Martha Armor - August 27, 2019 at 12:00 AM

HP

“ *Your family is in our prayers.*

Holly Peacock - August 10, 2019 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *Holding you in my thoughts!Light, love and fond memories to James and family.*

Karen Smith - August 09, 2019 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Grandma Nell, You are missed. I can remember when you lived in Burns City going out early in the morning with you and hearing the doves feeding the turtles in the pond, picking okra and your big white rooster(it was not real). I will miss your biscuits and gravy (it was the best) and your fried okra. I try but it does not taste like yours. I have missed our long talks in the phone over last few years. As I got older I would look forward to the card on the holidays for myself then when alex was born I would look forward to them for him. GRANDMA YOU ARE MISSED SO MUCH! I LOVE YOU! I only hope I can show my kids as much lovd and teach them so many useful life lessons as you have tought me.*

Ciara Cain - August 09, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Mom you were always my best friend. You taught me so much, so many skills I still use everyday. I love you and will miss you.

James Holmes - August 09, 2019 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Your family and loved ones are in our thoughts and prayers. Randy Hopkins and Karen Kerr

Randy Hopkins - August 08, 2019 at 12:00 AM

KO

“ To my Texas Mom who gave me my best friend and sister Tonie . You always, but always remembered my birthday, sent me the best cards, and made me feel like I was part if the family. You are loved and will be missed my friend.

Kathy Oestricher - August 08, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I remember with great fondness Nell the kindness that you showed me on my very first trip to the US. You made the most delicious meal that I still remember, however more vividly, I remember the way that you welcomed me into your life and home. Thoughts with all your family at this very sad time, and rest well Nell.

James Ward - August 08, 2019 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ She will be missed!! Our prayers are with each and everyone of you!! I can close my eyes and she her smoking her cigarette and drinking her coffee, very sweet lady! Tonie your moms the one that persist my ears with a needle and strings. Back then nobody got that done at town. Lol

Teresa Woodruff - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Williel enjoyed our talks we had when Nell would come to SPAN with you. She was a beautiful lady with an awesome sence of humor. Know I have you and your family in my thoughts and prayers as you go through this difficult time. Linda

Linda Richey - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Nell will forever hold a very special place in my heart. I am honored that my daughters have the spirit of their incredible, beautiful great grandmother in them forever. Grandma, you will be missed more than you ever know. Thank you for being so wonderful to me in the short time I knew you. Everyone who was blessed to come into contact with you in this lifetime is lucky beyond measure. I hope to see you again someday, hot stuff!! Thank you for being YOU. We will make sure to raise your great granddaughters so you will be proud. I love you so much, forever and always.

Katy Holmes - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ I love you Mail youre almost son-in-law said that

Don Davidson Davidson - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Mom there will never be another one like you. I was so blessed to have spent you last hours and minutes with you. I only hope I can have just half the strength and courage you always had. I love you Mom and miss you ! Thanks for being my Mom!!

Tonie Holmes - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

David and Lora Gibby - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow. My Mom and Dad loved visiting with them. Prayers for all.*

Deborah and Gary Clarkson - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *I've known Nell for 30 years. Nell always made me feel at home and I liked her cooking. I remember how relaxed and happy I was when I visited. She was a sweet and kind lady. I could always count on birthday and Christmas cards. For almost twenty years, Nell kept me in supply of Birds and Blooms magazine because we shared an interest in nature. She sure did like her plants, birds, and squirrels. I've lost one of my fans on earth and Heaven has a new angel.*

Jeffrey Bissell - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM