



Geneva Maye Riley

April 10, 1918 - November 1, 2015

Our beautiful mother, sister, grandma went to meet her maker on Sunday morning, November 1, 2015. Mom was born on April 10, 1918 to Albert Sidney and Mattie Johnston in Carter, Oklahoma.

Mom worked for Fresno County Welfare Department for 23 years, retiring in 1976. She then began traveling to many places including Hawaii, Alaska and Australia. Up until 4 years ago, she loved working in her rose garden, exercising at the YMCS 3 times a week and having afternoon coffee with her neighbor Maxine. Mom had the most beautiful smile that she shared with all that knew her.

Mom was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers Albert, Dean, Harold and Merrill Johnston; a sister, Lucille Jones; her husband Arnold Riley; and a son in law Chuck Graham.

Mom leaves behind her brother Kenneth Johnston and wife Joann of Sylmar, CA; daughter Jean Graham of Clovis, grandson Jeff Graham and his wife Rhonda of Clovis, great grandson Tyler Graham and his wife Tiffanie and great great grandson Tristen, great granddaughter Michele Krigbaum and her husband Tyler. Grandson Michael Graham and his wife Brenda, great grandchildren Hannah and Austin of Riverside. A son Tom Riley and his wife Margie of Del Rey, grandson Greg Riley and fiance Debra Moses of Fresno,

granddaughter Jennifer Jenkins and her husband Ross, great grandchildren Megan, Will, Sarah and Sammie Jenkins of Fowler.

The family would like to thank Robena, Clara and Lisa for the wonderful care and companionship that allowed mom to remain in her home until the end.

Visitation will be held at Chapel of the Light Funeral Home on Sunday, November 8, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Funeral services will be held at Chapel of the Light Funeral Home on Sunday, November 8, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Entombment will follow at Chapel of the Light Mausoleum.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the donor's favorite charity.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 8. 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM (PT)

Chapel of the Light
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Funeral Service

NOV 8. 10:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Chapel Of The Light created a Tribute Video in memory of Geneva Maye Riley*



Chapel Of The Light Funeral Home and Mausoleum - November 05, 2015 at 10:40 AM



Thank you for making this video I'm glad i got to see her wonderful smile again!

Melba Maupin - November 07, 2015 at 04:57 PM

NB

The pictures of Geneva as a young woman actually made me catch my breath. It was wonderful to see her as a young woman, and pictures of Arnold as well. What a great tribute to all of you. It was a great video. As I told you before, so many memories came flooding back.....

Nichole Bowen

Nichole Bowen - November 11, 2015 at 10:02 PM



“ *Geneva Maye Riley*

September 15, 2022 at 09:34 PM

KW

“ Jean, my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sorrow. I know it's hard losing a mother but God is with here and he will be with you. Love you your friend KAthleen Winnett

kathleen Winnett - November 07, 2015 at 09:52 PM

MF

“ Goodbye to my great aunt she was so full of life growing up she was my grandmas sister that was from fresno she had a lil accent which i thought was so unique i loved to listen to her stories about the cotton farm she grew up on and worked she was a hard worker and so funny i just loved her she was my favorite aunt growing up I know the people that were close to her will miss her terribly.

melba e favela - November 07, 2015 at 04:49 PM



“ Our heartfelt condolences to the family of Mrs. Riley. May the memories you have of her bring you peace and comfort during this time.

The Staff of Chapel of the Light Funeral Home & Mausoleum

Michael Rabara - November 05, 2015 at 10:48 AM



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