



Wilma Cales

March 20, 1923 - September 17, 2012

Mrs. Wilma Thomason Cales, age 89 of Bolivar, Missouri passed away on September 17, 2012 at Cox South Medical Center in Springfield, Missouri.

She was born on March 20, 1923, the daughter of Thomas Riley Thomason and Eula Dale (Martin) Thomason on a farm West of Hinton, Oklahoma.

Wilma attended grade school at a county school, Pleasant View, and graduated from High School at Hinton, Oklahoma.

She accepted the Lord at an early age and became a member of Bethel Methodist Church and was very active in the church.

Upon graduating from high school she moved to Wichita, Kansas and went to work for Cessna Aircraft during the war. There she met Merle E. Cales whom

she married on October 30, 1943. To this union was born two children, Jean and Dwaine.

Wilma loved to sew, making most of Jean's clothes as a child, and sewed a lot for the grandchildren. She also made many quilts, at least one for her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She also loved to crochet, making each one in the family an afghan and other things they all loved. She enjoyed golf and bridge and was active in the ladies group at the Bolivar United Methodist Church in which she was a member. She was also a 50 year member of the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one grandson, Nathan, three brothers and three sisters.

Wilma is survived by her husband, of 68 wonderful years together, Merle E. Cales, a daughter, Jean Lunt of Lamar, Colorado, and one son, Dr. Dwaine Cales and his wife Margaret of Joplin, Missouri, five grandchildren, Josh, Jessica, Joy and Joseph Cales, Amy Lunt, ten great grandchildren, and three sisters-in-law, Evelyn Felix of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Louise Thomason of Farmington, New Mexico and Alma Mae Leavell of Winfield, Kansas.

A visitation will be held on Friday evening, September 21, 2012 from 6:00-7:00pm at the Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, Missouri.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 10:00am, Saturday, September 22, 2012 at the Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar with Reverend J.C. Harp officiating. Musical selections will be "Serenaded By Angels" and "Because He Lives" sung by Cheryl Bowers. Burial will follow at Greenwood Cemetery in Bolivar, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bolivar United Methodist Church, 105 E. Division Street, Bolivar, Missouri 65613.

Friends and family may sign the guest book or send private condolences at www.butlerfuneralhome.com

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wilma Cales*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Wilma Cales*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *68 wonderful years of marriage! What a testimony and example for everyone. So sorry for your loss Merle.*

John Credille - September 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *WE ARE DEEPLY SADDEN BY THE PASSING OF WILMA. WE HAD MANY GREAT MEMORIES. WE ALWAYS ENJOYED PLAYING GOLF AND EATING OUT WITH MERLE AND WILMA. SHE WILL ALWAYS BE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND HEARTS.*

Les & Julie Rohr - September 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Thinking of you in your time of loss.*

Beulah Cales - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Elmer, Thinking of you during your time of loss. My prayers are with you and your family. Love you much, your sister.*

Alma Leavell - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ We are truly sorry for your loss. We experienced almost the very same scenario just two years ago on Labor Day. My mother, Virginia, also went to heaven following a stroke on Labor Day 2010. She will welcome your lovely Wilma with so many other neighbors already there. We're praying for your family. God will bless you, and give you strength.

Most Sincerely,

T.W. & Evie Jones, and

Mr. Leonard Paxton

Evie & T.W. Jones - September 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM