



Colleen Valoyce Cooper

February 7, 1925 - February 3, 2022

Colleen Valoyce Phillips Cooper, 96, formerly of Ponca City, died Thursday, February 3, 2022, in Bartlesville.

Colleen was born on February 7, 1925, in Shawnee, OK, to Edward Earl Phillips and Ida Mae Thomas Phillips. Colleen was a lifelong resident of Ponca City, living in her house for 73 years before moving to Bartlesville in June 2021. She graduated from Ponca City High school in 1942.

Colleen married William Gibson Cooper on December 25, 1942, at the First Baptist Church parsonage in Ponca City. Their union lasted 53 years until Bill's death on January 19, 1996.

While William was serving with the U. S. Army Second Battalion 359th Infantry, 90th Division, including General Patton's third army at the Battle of the Bulge, Colleen joined the war effort as a Rosie the Riveter. She worked at Beechcraft in Wichita, KS, assembling airplane gas tanks and operating machinery to assemble trainers and smaller aircraft. She was later employed in the circulation department of The Ponca City News.

Colleen was a member of the Class of 1942 Reunion committee, VFW Auxiliary and Disabled American Veterans, Pleasantview Baptist Church.

She enjoyed reading, traveling, flowers, and bird watching. Each summer Bill and Colleen had a huge vegetable garden.

Colleen is survived by her daughter, Teresa Dodson of Bartlesville; and two sons, William G. Cooper Jr. and his wife Sharon of Northlake, TX, and Chris E. Cooper and wife Carrie of Bartlesville; a sister, Idaleen Arrington of Ponca City; grandchildren, Tony Cooper and wife Julie of Prosper, TX, Jennifer Richmond of Northlake, TX, Andy Cooper and wife Carrie of Piedmont, OK, Christy Olivas and husband Fernando of Wichita, KS, Clay Cooper and wife Ziva of Bartlesville, and Sam Dodson and wife Whitney of Broken Arrow; and great-grandchildren, Caden Cooper, Ty Cooper, Ava Richmond, Sophia Cooper, Cliff Cooper, Lucy Cooper, Clara Olivas, and Levi Olivas; and many nieces and nephews. Colleen was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; infant son, Robin; her parents; sisters, Jacqueline Baker, Earline Arrington, Joleen Harrison; brothers, Gene Phillips and Doug Phillips.

Pallbearers will be Tony Cooper, Andy Cooper, Clay Cooper, Fernando Olivas, Caden Cooper and Ty Cooper.

Visitation will be held at the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel, 918-534-3030, 113 S. Osage (Hwy. 75), Dewey, on Sunday, February 13, from noon-5 p.m.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Hospice of North Central Oklahoma, 445 Fairview Ave., Ponca City, OK 74601, or Comforting Hands Hospice, 1366 SE Washington Blvd #A, Bartlesville, OK 74006.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, February 14, in the Fireside Room of the Carolyn Renfro Center at the Hospice of North Central Oklahoma in Ponca City. Interment will follow at the Resthaven-Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery, located on Hubbard Road in Ponca City. Services are under the

direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Resthaven-Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery

1901 E. Hubbard Rd.
Ponca City, OK 74604

Previous Events

ALL DAY VISITATION

FEB 13. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
(918) 534-3030
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Funeral Service

FEB 14. 10:00 AM (CT)

Carolyn Renfro Center at Hospice of North Central Oklahoma
445 Fairview Ave.
Ponca City, OK 74604

Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Colleen Valoyce Cooper*



Davis Family Funeral Home - February 10, 2022 at 01:08 PM

JH

This lady had it all. Her love for God, the love for her family and loving friends. She will be missed by all. I know she has never been happier than she is now, being with Jesus. Blessings to the family of my cousin, Colleen Cooper.

Jan Howard - February 11, 2022 at 08:01 PM

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Beautiful tribute for a beautiful lady. We lost touch over the last years but I counted her and Bill and Theresa among my good friends. I am sure that God was waiting to help her cross that last mile into His waiting arms. I will miss her. Judy Edwards

Judy Edwards - February 12, 2022 at 10:24 AM