



## Doris Ann Merrick

September 5, 1929 - August 5, 2021

Mrs. Doris (Brown) Merrick went home to her Heavenly Father on Aug. 5 after a short illness.

Doris was born in Hobart, in southwest Okla., on Sept. 5, 1929, to Hal and Mabel Joshaphine (Huff) Brown. James S. Brown was her 12 year old brother at the time. They were very close and cherished family time together.

Doris loved going to the barber shop with her dad and visiting the many uncles and aunts that lived nearby as she was the youngest of all the Brown and Huff family. She would ride with her dog Pete in the basket of her bicycle and simply enjoy life. She graduated from Hobart High School, continuing her education at the University of Oklahoma in Norman where she joined the Alpha Delta Pi sorority and later became a lifetime alumni member. She graduated in May 1951 with a degree in Education and married her longtime sweetheart Enos Merrick on June 15, 1951. They made their first home in Snyder, OK, where Enos worked for the weekly newspaper and Doris taught school.

In 1956, the young couple moved to Bartlesville with a job offer in hand from Leonard Printing. Doris started teaching at McKinley Elementary. In 1958 Doris gave birth to their only daughter Leah. Doris went back to teaching and soon found herself teaching at Wayside school but not too much longer

moved to Osage Hills Elementary where she taught 5th and 1st grades. She also played the piano for many school pageants. Doris loved teaching children and felt like that was her true life calling. She taught for many years until, with much prayer, Enos and Doris purchased a building downtown and moved the print shop that Enos owned. Doris accompanied him and quit teaching in the public school system. There she took care of the front desk and waited on customers.

But her passion for children welled up in her heart and Doris began teaching Sunday School for 4 and 5 year olds, many times continuing on to Children's Church. Enos drove and she rode the church buses for 5 years. She continued teaching for 45 years in some capacity of children's ministry. Loving every minute of it and cherishing the stories and loving moments children always seem to share!

With the loss of her husband in 2009, Doris's health began to fade some ... But with a never-quit attitude, a sound mind and a sweet temperament she forged on. Christ was the center of the home from the moment Enos was saved and together they made that the center of everything they did. Doris was always teaching, whether it was correcting your use of the English language or asking the questions of who, what, when, how, and why! (Her daughter still asks those questions today of herself!) She was great at seeing the potential in every student and showing them they were safe and loved in her classrooms.

Doris is survived by her only daughter Leah Ann (Merrick) Everhart and her favorite son-in-law Robert "Bob" Everhart, and one wonderfully made grandson Rob Fred Everhart! With many nieces and nephews, too many to mention, but always loved. But I must mention my adopted SISTER, mom's caregiver for many years, Lori West! You were mom's favorite - but we all loved you! Thank you for your compassion and devotion to my mom!

If I may share a prayer that says everything my mom was about: God lead me today to those I need and to those who need me! And let something I say or do, have eternal significance! In Jesus's Holy name I ask this, AMEN!

Doris's family will receive friends at the Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel, 918-333-7665, 4201 Nowata Rd, Bartlesville, on Tuesday, Aug. 10 from 6-8 p.m. Visitation will also be held Tuesday 10-8.

Memorial contributions can be sent to Oklahoma Baptist Home for Children, 300 N. May Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73112-6506.

The family requests private family services. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at [www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Park Cemetery Bartlesville

4200 Nowata Road  
Bartlesville, OK 74006

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 10. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Family and Friends Gathering

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# Tribute Wall



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