



## Katherine Charlotte Sullivan

December 12, 1919 - July 21, 2024

Katherine Charlotte Doak Sullivan exited this life on July 21st and entered the embrace of her Savior, Christ Jesus. She was blessed with 104 years of life, in which time she blessed countless others with her thoughtfulness and hospitality. A native of Cushing, Oklahoma, she is reunited in heaven with her parents – James and Esta Doak – and four siblings – Betty Doak Asher, Howard Doak, and Richard “Dick” Doak – as well as her husband of 46 years and the love of her life, Wesley “Dub” Sullivan.

She and Dub married on July 16th, 1944, after his return from WWII and on St. Patrick’s Day, 1948, luck would deliver her first child, Robert Doak Sullivan. Nearly ten years later, at the age of 40, she would be blessed again when suspected “gallbladder pain” turned out to be her daughter, Ann Sullivan Rumph.

Arriving in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, in 1950, Katherine and Dub opened a children’s

clothing store bearing their family name, Sullivan's. Katherine's keen sense of style and Dub's financial skills proved a perfect fit, as Sullivan's thrived for three decades as a cherished cornerstone of downtown Bartlesville until December of 1982.

In that time, Katherine and Dub joined the First Baptist Church – a membership Katherine would be devoted to until the end of her life. Beyond the bonds of fellowship and community there, her desire for God would inform all aspects of her life. To know her was to know her heart for Jesus, whom she still hopes to inspire others to seek even now.

She remained devoted to Dub until his passing in February of 1988, and beyond that, to her beloved family, which includes her two children, five grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren. Their presence spans five states from coast to coast and extends to five countries across the globe.

Up until her 100th birthday, she lived independently before moving into Green Country Village and later, under the care of Cornerstone Hospice, she moved to Brookdale South for the final two years of her life. Both she and her family are eternally grateful for the thoughtfulness and tender care of those who looked after.

Katherine will be buried at the cemetery in Bristow, OK. At her request, there will only be a family graveside service at a later date. Should you wish to honor her life, she would be overjoyed if you did so by giving to the Oklahoma Baptist Children's Home, or the Salvation Army of Bartlesville.

# Tribute Wall

JD

“ I am terribly late with this, but am sad to see that Mrs. Sullivan has passed. She was a member of my mom, Barbara Burris’ bridge club, along with Adele and Mary. They had such fun playing together and were all so sharp and quick-witted. Mrs. Sullivan was a graceful, lovely lady. My mom shopped for me at Sullivan’s Children’s Wear, and could dress me beautifully from the shop. I remember it so well. It is wonderful that she had such a long life.

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**Jeanne Doornbos** - August 09, 2025 at 09:50 AM

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“ I remember her as a very classy lady

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