



Lula May Newport

March 19, 1934 - July 12, 2021

Lula May “Tootsie” Newport, age 87, a native of Bartlesville, OK, took her final trip and arrived at her new home in Heaven on Monday morning July 12, 2021.

She departed this earthly pilgrimage from the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Don and Becky Newport, near Shepherd, MI. They had been her primary caregivers since April of 2021.

She was blessed by other caregivers as well during the final years and months of her life. Her daughter and son-in-law Janette and Charles Schaper, her son Ron Newport and Susie Preston, and long-time family friend Susie Hampton were all instrumental in facilitating exceptional care during her journey with dementia.

“Tootsie” was born on March 19, 1934 to Charles Frederick Henshall and Lula Janette (Mardis) Henshall. She married her high school sweetheart V. LeRoy Newport on August 12, 1950. To this union were born 4 children, 1 girl Janette and 3 boys, Dennis and twins Ron and Don.

Tootsie had the most unique testimony and loved to tell how she found God after not being raised in a Christian home. When trying to determine sometime later what she wanted to do with her life, she prayed to God that all she ever wanted to do was be a “soul winner.” And that she did. Visiting the sick, shut-

ins, and sin-sick, she won many souls to the Lord. She and LeRoy were both called into the ministry in 1955 and served the Lord faithfully together for over 65 years until the time of his passing on March 17, 2020. They were both ordained ministers with the Bible Holiness Church organization headquartered in Independence, KS. They pastored churches in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arizona, California, and Oregon. They also served the Bible Holiness Church organization in various roles of leadership and finally as General Superintendent for 15 years from August 1997 until the time of their retirement in 2012.

Tootsie was a woman of many talents. She was an artist and an interior decorator, she loved to sing and preach, and had a special love for children. Her education in childhood development and experience as a pre-school teacher helped organize a childcare center for the Independence Bible School in Independence, KS.

She was preceded in death by her husband V. LeRoy Newport, her son Dennis LeRoy Newport, her father Charles Frederick Henshall, her mother Lula Janette (Mardis) Henshall, and 5 brothers and 3 sisters. She is survived by one brother Gene Henshall of Mesquite, TX; one daughter Mary Janette Schaper (Charles) of Welch, OK; twin sons, Ronald Martin Newport of Ochelata, OK, and Donald Daniel Newport (Becky) of rural Shepherd, MI. She is also survived by 11 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, and 7 great-great grandchildren.

Tootsie's family will receive friends on Thursday, July 15, from 6-8 p.m. at the Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel, 918-333-7665, 4201 Nowata Rd, Bartlesville. Visitation will also be held Thursday from 11-8.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at the Ochelata Bible Holiness

Church in Ochelata, OK, on Friday, July 16, 2021 at 1 p.m. with interment to follow at the Ochelata Cemetery.

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.

Cemetery Details

Ochelata

West 2900 Road
Ochelata, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 15. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory - Walker Brown Chapel
4201 Nowata Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-7665
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Family and Friends Gathering

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Celebration Of Life Service

JUL **16.** 1:00 PM (CT)

Ochelata Bible Holiness Church
309 W Vera St.
Ochelata, OK 74051

Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lula May Newport*



Davis Family Funeral Home - July 15, 2021 at 10:49 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Lula May Newport.*



July 16, 2021 at 12:59 AM



“ *Sis. Newport was a special lady. We will be remembering you all in our prayers.*

*Love,
Duane & Angela Elmore*

Duane & Angela Elmore - July 15, 2021 at 11:08 PM



“ *Beautiful memories of a beautiful and much loved lady.*

Debbie Ritter - July 15, 2021 at 07:02 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Lula May Newport*.



July 15, 2021 at 09:40 AM