



Peggy Cunningham

February 13, 1931 - January 12, 2022

The world lost a beloved mother, grandmother, and friend, Peggy Cunningham, 90, on Wednesday, January 12, 2022. Peggy passed away at home, surrounded by loved ones.

She was born to the late Clyde and Elva Whittenburg on February 13, 1931, in Bartlesville, OK. Peggy graduated from Dewey High School in 1949 and married her high school sweetheart, the late Lester Cunningham, on April 9th, 1950. Lester and Peggy then relocated to Carmel-by-the-Sea, California for Lester's Army enlistment. Peggy worked for Del Monte and spent her spare time on the beach with her best friend, Priscilla. After moving back to Oklahoma and then relocating to Missouri for work, they landed in Huntsville, AL, where they raised their children and found their forever home in Athens, AL. After the passing of her husband, Lester, Peggy split her time between her home in Athens, AL, and her home in Bartlesville, OK.

Peggy was an amazing cook who could whip up a delicious dish no matter what ingredients she had on hand. Her family cherishes the memories of mornings around her kitchen table enjoying toast with homemade chocolate pudding. Peggy had a freshly brewed cup of coffee and pastry ready to go for every visitor, no matter the time of day. She was also an avid thrift shopper and was always on the hunt for a great deal. She loved blessing those around her with her finds. Peggy was passionate about serving the church and

attended Fairview Baptist Church in Athens, AL with her husband Lester and her family church, Dewey United Methodist Indian Church. When Peggy wasn't serving others, she enjoyed playing dominos and cards, taking trips with friends, and visiting her family in Oklahoma.

Although Peggy was a homemaker for a large majority of her life, she worked for Huntsville Hospital in Administration for several years until her retirement in 1993. When Peggy wasn't working, she was purchasing investment homes, fixing them up, and renting them out. She was an independent, strong woman who did not have a lazy bone in her body. But, out of all of her accomplishments, her greatest joy was her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter, Tammy Latham of Bartlesville, OK, her son, Eric Cunningham and his partner, Vickie Smith of Athens, AL, her earthly daughter, Shelly Dickerson and her husband Ron Dickerson of Athens, AL, her grandchildren, Alex Cunningham, Casie Icks and husband Ryan Icks, Charlie Porter and husband Colton Porter, Chelsie Wagoner and husband Marshall Wagoner, Jake Dickerson, Luke Dickerson, her great grandchildren, Chloe, A.J., Ellie, Gray, Lad, Evie, Maleigha, Sadie, Georgia, nieces, nephews and countless friends. All of whom she loved and touched deeply.

There aren't enough words to summarize what an amazing mother, grandmother, wife, and friend she was. The world is less bright without her.

Graveside services will be held 4 p.m. on Friday, at the Dewey Cemetery, with Rev. Mike Svitak officiating. 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

Dewey Cemetery

HWY 75 North
Dewey, OK 74029

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 14. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Glorious Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peggy Cunningham.*



January 14, 2022 at 11:03 AM



“ *Love, Ron, Shelly, Jake and Luke purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Peggy Cunningham.*



Love, Ron, Shelly, Jake and Luke - January 13, 2022 at 01:13 PM



“ *Peggy was my mother's best friend. My mom died when I was eleven. Peggy became my mom here on earth. It always made me feel so loved when Peggy and Lester would refer to me as their daughter. They loved my husband and my children unconditionally. Peggy was one of a kind. She always made sure to check on us to see how we were feeling and to see if we knew anything new. Peggy made the best chocolate pudding and toast in the world! She would also make me a special coconut cream pie whenever she felt I needed one. She was the most giving person I ever knew. I can't imagine my life without Miss Peggy.*

Shelly Dickerson - January 13, 2022 at 01:04 PM



Shelly, Beverly's mom Elva made the best chocolate pudding and toast for me when I was a little girl! My mother was Carol Stepp, later Dezort and then Ebbs. I loved Elva and Spud!! I did not know Peggy had died but must have felt something. Awhile back I asked my dad if he knew anything of Beverly. Bless you. You were blessed. Sweet condolences.

Leslie Hayes - December 19, 2023 at 06:16 PM