



Virgia Leona Barnes

September 11, 1930 - July 20, 2016

Virgia Leona Bennefield Barnes departed this life on July 20, 2016 at the age 85. She was born in Hoffman, OK on Sept. 11, 1930 to Mollie Smith Bennefield and William Henry Bailey Bennefield.

She attended the majority of her school years in Ramona, OK, where she graduated high school. Shortly after graduating high school, she married Eddie John Barnes, Sr. in Bartlesville, OK on June 12, 1948. They were married 64 and a half years before Eddie passed.

Virgia Leona worked at Sylvania Electric making radio parts while attending Oklahoma Baptist University, where she obtained her bachelors degree. Before attending Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Ft. Worth, TX, she served alongside her husband as a missionary with the Southern Baptist Mission Board with the Native Americans at Sallateeska Indian Mission in Shawnee, OK. After graduating from OBU, she taught at Lawton High School before moving to Ft. Worth, where she worked as an Emergency Room Clerk at the John Peters Smith Hospital. Virgia Leona moved to Bartlesville in 1966 to teach English Literature at College High until her retirement in 1992 from Bartlesville High School after 26 years of dedicated service.

She was a faithful, loving wife and mother to her family, as well as a committed pastor's wife who served alongside her husband at Ochelata

Baptist Church for 25 years. She continued teaching Sunday School after his retirement and following his death.

She is survived by her three children and their spouses: E.J. Barnes and his wife Diann, Binnie Gullane and her husband Jim, and Mollie Martin and her husband Wayne; nine grandchildren: Metasha Olson and husband Brandon, Heath Spalding and wife Nicki, Kevin Barnes and wife Andrea, Misha Spalding, James Spalding, Daniel Martin and his wife Crystal, Karah Mesplay and husband Mark, Kelly Love and husband Andy, and Elizabeth Martin; 19 great grandchildren; one sister Martha Lee Tate; and numerous nieces and nephews. She also leaves behind a host of other relatives and friends who will miss her.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband Rev. Eddie John Barnes Sr. on January 16, 2013; her parents William Henry Bailey and Mollie (Smith) Bennefield; one son Byron Barnes; six brothers Johnny, Colonel, Kay, William, Porter and Irvin; and four sisters Sue Smith, Addie Leard, Luella Leard and Sallie Millhouse.

A wake will be held at the Ochelata Baptist Church on Monday evening, July 25, 2016, from 6:30-8:30 pm. Friends may also call for visitation Monday 9am-3pm at Davis Family Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held 10 am Tuesday, July 26, 2016, at the Ochelata Baptist Church, with Rev. E.J. Barnes Jr. officiating. Interment will follow at the Ramona Cemetery. Services are under the direction of the Davis Family Funeral Home. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared with Virgia Leona's family at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Ramona Cemetery

Ramona, OK 74061

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 24. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

JUL 25. 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
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Indian Wake

JUL **25.** 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Ochelata
290 N Ochelata St.
Ochelata, OK 74051

Service

JUL **26.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Virgia Leona Barnes*



Davis Family Funeral Home - July 22, 2016 at 01:54 PM

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“ *Jackie lit a candle in memory of Virgia Leona Barnes*



Jackie - July 25, 2016 at 09:54 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Virgia Leona Barnes.*



July 24, 2016 at 08:57 PM

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“ *Cypress Energy, Tulsa Inspection & Brown purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Virgia Leona Barnes.*



Cypress Energy, Tulsa Inspection & Brown - July 22, 2016 at 02:04 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virgia Leona Barnes.*



July 22, 2016 at 01:44 PM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Virgia Leona Barnes.*



July 22, 2016 at 12:56 PM