



Betty J. Stagers

July 18, 1922 - July 24, 2021

Betty Jane Stagers passed away on Saturday, July 24, 2021 at Grove Nursing Center at the age of 99. She was born at home on July 18, 1922 in Albia, Iowa to Emmett and Ruth (Stokes) Menefee. To celebrate, her father placed a small bouquet of sweet peas in her tiny hand following her birth. Upon graduation from Albia High School, she was offered a scholarship to art school but declined in order to help support her family. Betty eloped with Ennes D. Stagers on August 30, 1942 while he was on leave from the Navy. They were married 67 years. He preceded her in death on November 20, 2009. They had two children. She and her husband were avid campers. Following retirement they enjoyed two years of full-time camping while traveling throughout the United States and Canada. Betty was an excellent cook, seamstress and artist. At one time, movie studios sought after her to be a seamstress in their costume department. She warmly welcomed everyone into her home and freely helped anyone in need. She loved animals, playing games with friends and family and was a whiz with numbers. Her spunky personality made her fun to be around. She attended Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church in Englewood, Colorado and moved to Grove in February of 2020 from Centennial, Colorado where she lived with her daughter. Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, two older brothers, George Edward Menefee and Kenneth Keith Menefee and her son, Ronald D. Stagers. Left to cherish her memory are her daughter, Sharon Ehrhardt and husband Douglas of Grove, four grandchildren, ten great grandchildren and

one great-great grandchild.

Memorial services will be held at Cleora Community Church on September 25, 2021 at 12:00 noon with a reception to follow. It will be live streamed for those unable to attend.

Arrangements entrusted to Nichols-Stephens Funeral and Cremation Services, Grove, Oklahoma

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **25**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Cleora Community Church
451154 E. 295 Rd
Afton, OK 74331

Tribute Wall



“ *Betty J. Stagers*

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