



Daisy L Davis

December 1, 1933 - April 8, 2025

Daisy Leona Davis aged 91, of Grove, OK, passed into the arms of her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, April 8, 2025. Born in Tyro, Kansas, on December 1, 1933, to James and Mary (Garrett) Burtrum, she was a cherished member of the Grove community known for her loving and generous spirit.

Daisy grew up in Coffeyville, Kansas with her two younger sisters Vera and Phyllis. Her earliest memory was picking blackberries. She attended the Nazarene Church where she enjoyed participating in the church choir.

Daisy attended Field Kindley Memorial High School in Coffeyville, KS. She met the love of her life, Don Davis, at a birthday party in Tyro, Kansas where she stated that she was attracted to his 'eyes'. They were married in Tyro on December 2, 1951, the day after her 18th birthday. The couple became parents to 5 cherished children, Darla Jo, Dora Lea, Donita Faye, Della Irene and David Harold. The family moved to Sycamore, Kansas where they purchased a motel and gas station, and eventually a museum.

In 1971 they relocated to Grove and expanded their collection to create Don's Swap Shop and the Thunderbird Museum, showcasing western and Native American artifacts. Daisy furthered her education at NEO A&M in Miami, OK, where she studied accounting. This education paved the way for her diverse career managing the accounting for their business as well as working at Crawford Motor Company, Mayfield Chevrolet, Sears, Roebuck Co and others earlier in her career. She attended the First Christian Church in Grove.

Throughout her life she and Don traveled all fifty states, the last one being Alaska. Their extensive travels included Yellowstone, Mount Rushmore, New York City, touring the White House, Carlsbad Caverns, Las Vegas, Diamond Head, Pearl Harbor, Albuquerque, New Orleans, just to name a few of their wide-ranging and amazing experiences. They visited numerous national parks and also traveled in Mexico and Canada.

Her commitment to the community was evident through her 43 years as a volunteer at the Integris Grove hospital (Cherry Red Auxiliary), where she was honored as Volunteer of the Year, and delighted to have been the subject of an article in the Grove Sun Newspaper, noting her remarkable accomplishments. She was a decorated member of the Women of the Moose and the Order of the Eastern Star, and Royal Neighbor Association. Additionally, she was a 4-H Leader, cheerleading co-sponsor and Girl Scout Cookie chairman and co-leader in Kansas as well as a Boy Scout Mom in Grove! Daisy was formerly an active member of the Business and Professional Women's Club. She also played a vital role in running the Bingo games and other promotional activities for the Sailboat Bridge Association and the Red Cross Bloodmobile annual blood drive for 16 years, where she organized and promoted the event, as well as preparing the sandwiches and snacks for the donors, demonstrating her outstanding dedication to service.

In earlier years she loved square dancing with her husband and proudly proclaimed "I was a good dancer"! In her leisure time she could be found playing card games like Pinochle and Pitch. In her later years she enjoyed working on jigsaw puzzles and watching TV for entertainment.

Daisy has stated that her greatest accomplishment was raising her five children, and two of her grandchildren, Angie and Andrew, when her second daughter Dora Lea tragically lost her life in an automobile accident at a young age. Daisy's advice at 91 years of age to young people is to 'keep on

working'... something she exemplified her whole life.

Daisy was preceded in death by her parents, her two sisters Vera Hobbs and Phyllis Scott, husband Don, daughter Dora Lea Whitney, and grandson Avery Goforth. She is survived by her children Darla Mann (John), Donita Goforth (Tim), Della Morris (Jim), all of Grove, and David Davis (Anita) of Miami; 12 grandchildren; and 37 great-grandchildren, along with a host of extended family and friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

Visitation will be held from 6 to 8 pm on Thursday, April 10, 2025 at Nichols-Stephens Funeral Home, Grove, OK. Graveside services will take place at 10 am on Friday April 11, 2025 at Hickory Grove Cemetery in Grove.

Nichols-Stephens Funeral Home is assisting with the arrangements. Daisy's legacy of kindness, community service, and leadership will be remembered by all who knew her.

Cemetery Details

Hickory Grove Cemetery

24201 S. 595 Rd
Grove, OK 74344

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Nichols Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Daisy L Davis



Nichols-Stephens Funeral & Cremation Services - April 10, 2025 at 06:21 PM

SB

“ Donita and family, So very sorry to hear about your mom. She was an amazing person!! Love and hugs, Sheila Bridgwater

Sheila Bridgwater - April 14, 2025 at 10:20 PM

LW

“ Sending condolences to the family Daryl was one of a kind and a great lady.

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