



Obituary

Former longtime El Reno resident, Bobbie Jean Criner, 95, made a peaceful transition from her home in Dallas, Texas, on July 31, 2020, to her everlasting home and into the arms of the Almighty.

Bobbie was born on June 22, 1925 in Cyril, Oklahoma to her parents, Jack and Annabelle Harris. After moving to Watonga early in her childhood, the family migrated to El Reno. There she grew up with her three brothers, John Henry, Oscar, Johnnie and one sister, Ruby all preceded her in death.

Bobbie attended Booker T. Washington High School and continued her education graduating from El Reno Junior College. She met and married her soulmate, Joe W. Criner (deceased). Their blissful union of nearly 50 years produced five children, Gregory M. Criner (Lynnete), Karon A. Sanders (Herbert), Joe W. Criner III (deceased) (Nadine), Sharon Feleke and Johnnie D. Criner (Beverly).

Bobbie had fifteen grandchildren of whom Shalon Feleke is recognized for her many years of attentive love and dedicated care, twenty-one great grandchildren, and three great-great grandchildren that are left to mourn her loss.

Although Bobbie worked outside the home for years at Western Electric and as a school teacher at Booker T. Washington, her primary vocation and greatest love was a devoted housewife and homemaker. She loved to cook and insured that all that came to visit her were very well fed. She greatly enjoyed the many visits from all her family, sharing her wisdom, teaching, and preaching, using witty old school sayings.

Because of COVID-19, there will be no funeral services.

God Saw You Getting Tired God saw you getting tired And a cure was not to be So He put His arms around you And whispered "Come to Me." With tearful eyes we watched you As you slowly slipped away And though we loved you dearly We couldn't make you stay. Your golden heart stopped beating Your tired hands put to rest God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best. By Frances & Kathleen Coelho