



Honorary Pallbearers

Stephen Dean • Michael Dean
Keith Dean • Jason Longley
Darryl Ross • Andrew Webb

Honorary Flower Bearers

Linda Murray • Gayle Gaines
Belinda Dean Waldrop • Cynthia Dean

Services under the direction of:

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2801 North Kelley Avenue • Oklahoma City, OK 73111
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"We Care" — II Timothy 4:8

There will not be a repast due to COVID restrictions.

Acknowledgement

The Reece, Graham, and Dean families would like to extend their sincere gratitude to: Dr. M. Ghana, Dr. Dash, OK Heart ER and ICU teams, family and friends for your support during her transition.

A special thanks to "the kids", Andrew and "Mylady", for being Mowgli's baby sitters and yard care specialists; Felisha Ross for always keeping her looking good; Gayle Gaines for getting her on the first train smoking to Remmey's; Rhonda Lynn for staying with her and always making us laugh; and Jimmie Faye for Friday night dinners.

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A Celebration of Life

for

Joyce Lorine Dean Coursey

SUNRISE
December 21, 1931

SUNSET
January 7, 2022



*"When you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced.
Live your life so that when you die, the world cries and you rejoice."
— Cherokee*

SERVICE
Saturday, January 15, 2022 — 4:00 p.m.
EARL M. TEMPLE MEMORIAL CHAPEL
2801 N. Kelley Avenue • Oklahoma City, OK 73111

The Legacy of Joyce Lorine Dean Coursey

She was the fifth child born to Joe and Helen Dean on December 21, 1931, in Hendrix, Bryan County, Oklahoma.

She accepted Jesus Christ as her savior at an early age. The family moved to Oklahoma City and Joyce attended Douglass High School. Later she graduated from Oklahoma State University with an Associate's Degree to continue working with adolescents at the Oklahoma Juvenile Detention Center.

She worked at Western Electric, Honeywell Co., OK Juvenile Detention Center and lastly, she retired as a weekly member of the Remington Park Gold Member Club.

Joyce loved a plate of good food, socializing with family, gardening with Mowgli, and jumping on the first train smoking to the casinos! Her wonderful smile and personality would light up any room.

Joyce was loved by everyone that came in her path. From raising her nieces and nephews to caring for her foster children to being a calming voice of reason to so many.

Joyce was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Coursey; son, Phillip Grant; and siblings: Lee France Dean, Ruth Wallace, Rev. Willie Dean, Malcolm Dean, Lester Ray Dean, and Ima Gene Dean.

She is survived by her siblings, Josephine Howard, Doris Greenwood, Iris Foster, all of Oklahoma City, Wiley Dean (Francis) of Kansas, and brother-nephew, Stephen Dean (Karen) of Georgia; her two daughters, Philecia Reece of Oklahoma City and Barbara Graham of Joplin, MO; two sons-in-law, Isaac Reece and Richard Longley, whom she affectionately called her sons, both of Oklahoma City, OK; Seven Grandchildren Amy E. Longley Hernandez (Brent), Jason D. Longley (Blanca), Kristie J. Reece, Jennifer L. Longley Owens, Michelle P. Reece, Opal Shannon Booker (Rev. Kelly), Shauna L. New (Reggie); fifteen great-grandchildren; and twelve and ½ great-great-grandchildren.





Joyce was affectionately called “Billie” by most or Mama, Granny, Two-Braids, or Aunt Joyce. She has touched the lives of so many family members and friends over her ninety years. Her spirit, laughter, storytelling, empathy will tremendously be missed. When you see the first spring flowers or see a box of Lorna Doones, or if you go to “Remmey’s” and hear winning bells, just know Granny is near! Thanks to everyone that shared birthday wishes and love this past December 2021; Granny was so elated and spoke every day of the love each of you had for her. There are too many names to mention, but she loved each of us in her own special way. She would want us to continue living in her legacy; being selfless and kind.

On her 90th Birthday, she stated three gems to living a long and healthy life...

1. Never overload your wagon; because it might break.
2. Don't worry 'bout tomorrow, it's not here yet.
3. Never turn anyone away; you never know when you will need them!





Order of Service

Processional

Musical Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Bro. Stephen Dean

New Testament Sis. Angela Greenwood

Prayer

Poem Jennifer Longley Owens
Rachel New

Resolutions/Acknowledgement Michelle P. Reece

Closing Remarks Josephine A. Howard
Philecia J. Reece

Video Tribute

Recessional



Just because she's your mom and she's going to love you forever,
no matter what - you can't treat her just any old way and think it doesn't matter.

Don't treat the person who loves you the most... the worst.

Don't take her for granted. She may not let you see it,
but your shortness, impatience and harsh words make her steal away to a
quiet place and cry. Her heart hurts to understand why you seem angry
with her. She will not always agree with you, but she will always love you.

And it doesn't matter how old you are, or how old she is, treasure your mom.
You'll never have another one.



