



# Myrna Ruth Whitlock

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On Wednesday March 18th 2015, Myrna Ruth Whitlock ran into the arms of her Lord & Savior – Jesus Christ. She was 75 yrs old and after a long and productive life of loving, serving and mentoring many – it was time for her to rest at the feet of her Heavenly Daddy. Myrna Ruth Whitlock was born on January 2, 1940 to Richard & J. Virginia Tarkington in Oklahoma City. Her parents taught her and her sister, Virginia Ann (Sissy), their Christian values and began the foundation of who she became. Myrna went to nursing school where she met the love of her life – Boyd O. Whitlock Jr. Shortly after Boyd graduated from Medical school, they moved to Tulsa. There they raised their family of 3 kids – Boyd, Bryan & Brynda. Myrna and Boyd were about to celebrate 55 years of a beautiful marriage. Many happy, some sad, several tough times throughout, but as her family and friends would testify – always committed to each other. Myrna would say that it was a wonderful marriage because Christ was a part of their relationship. She has left many family members and friends missing her and grieving her absence. Myrna will be dearly missed by her doting husband, of 54 years, Dr. Boyd O. Whitlock Jr.; her children: Dr. Boyd Whitlock III and his wife, Karen; Dr. Bryan Whitlock and his wife, Rhonda; and Brynda Hatcher and her husband, Marty; Myrna's grandchildren: Alyssa, Kylie, Bo, Amber, Adam, Haylee, Ariel, Coco, Emy, Wynter, and Kennedy; and her great-grandchildren: Levi and Leo; and Her sister: Virginia Ann (Sissy) O'Daniell and husband Leonard (her big brother). Myrna is preceded in death by her parents: Richard and J. Virginia (Jensen) Tarkington. The Family would like to celebrate the life she lived. They want everyone to be aware that Myrna was an active: Cub Scouts den mother, Girl Scouts leader, softball coach. She taught a Great Books course for Carnegie Elementary School. She was a nurse at St Johns Hospital and SurgiCare for many years where she helped pioneer the pain management clinic. Myrna was a youth group sponsor at New Haven United Methodist Church, where she also lead



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the puppet ministry. She was a long term member of her Bible Study group, which she so dearly loved and cherished the time and friendships. Myrna, as many may know, was also a “Diamond Level HSN shopper”! Her children and grandchildren would like you to know she was a true Proverbs 31 woman and will remember her as: Loving Comforting Passionate Beautiful ‘Stubborn’ Inspirational A Mentor ‘Ornery’ A Christ follower Jokester Joyful Godly ‘Someone who I strive to be when I grow up’ – Alyssa ‘When I was little I wanted to be – an Ice Cream Lady, a Nurse or a Movie/Super Star?’ – and my mommy encompassed all of them to me! – Brynda The family invites you to join them in A celebration of life memorial service which will be held at 11:00 A.M., Monday, March 23, 2015, at the First United Methodist Church, 1115 S. Boulder Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma. In lieu of flowers, you can give a donation in Myrna’s name to: The Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless ([www.tulsadaycenter.org](http://www.tulsadaycenter.org))



## Tribute Wall

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JH

**Jeanne Hilberling** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Myrna Ruth Whitlock

March 23 at 2:49 PM

JG

**Joyce A. Gist** posted:

Boyd, My prayers for you and all the family. I think of you and Myrna and all the wonderful times we had when we were young and our children were young. We go back many years. Myrna was a LADY. If you knew her you knew she was a Christian and loved our Lord. Thinking of Myrna so many words come to mind....kind, thoughtful, compassionate, loving, fun and beautiful. You knew she loved being a wife, mother and grandmother. Joel and I send our love and deepest sympathy.

March 23 at 5:12 AM

SB

**Staci Wood Baird** posted:

We are lucky to have been a part of her life! Words just can't express our feelings of sadness at the loss of such a wonderful woman, mother, wife, friend, teacher, coach, nurse, leader. She lived her life in a way that makes us proud to know her. She exuded Love and gave us words of wisdom and comfort when needed. She set the bar high and we can only hope to become the true lady & wise person she was and always will be. She lives on in our hearts.Hugs to Dad, Brynda, Bryan, Boyd and all the extended family.

March 23 at 4:27 AM

DB

**Deborah Beeson, Md** posted:

Dr. Whitlock and family,Remembering working with both you and Myrna at volunteer clinics. Remember both of you and the kindness and service you showed.Thankful to God to have met both of you. I am also thankful Myrna rests with our Lord. Revelation 21:4 Deborah Beeson

March 21 at 6:45 AM

LD

**Lee Ann Dedmon** posted:

The Dedmon family is praying for your entire family. We are sorry for your loss. Our prayer is God wraps is arms around you and gives you lasting peace. Amen. Love and hugs.

March 19 at 4:59 PM



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**Rev. Connie M. Ichord** posted:

My love, prayers and blessings to the entire family. Myra was a classy, gorgeous, loving and kind Christian lady who shined with the love of our Lord every single time she would walk your way. Her legacy lives on through her wonderful children and grandchildren. Rev. Connie M. Ichord "Coach Connie" First United Methodist Church, Tulsa, Ok.

March 19 at 2:23 PM



# **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Myrna by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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