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Leta Lou Rife Pitts, 85, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, recently of Mountain Home, Arkansas, went to be with the Lord, Sunday, March 10, 2013 at Hospice of the Ozarks Hospice House, in Mountain Home, from complications of a recent stroke. She was born January 31, 1928 in Rogers, Arkansas to Fred and Ella Morris Rife. She moved to Oklahoma as a child and graduated from Ketchum High School, Ketchum, Oklahoma. Leta married Roy Pitts on April 16, 1949 in Miami, Oklahoma. They were married 46 years before his death. Moving to Tulsa in 1953, they considered Tulsa to be their home. Leta was a retired switchboard telephone operator. She began working for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Vinita, Oklahoma after high school graduation. She first transferred to Oklahoma City then to Tulsa with Southwestern Bell before retiring after 17 years. She then went to work for North American Rockwell as a switchboard operator and worked there for 20 years before retiring in 1984. Upon retiring from Rockwell, she worked as a part-time switchboard operator for Children's Medical Center and Doctor's Hospital. She was a longtime member of Calvary Baptist Church but after her husband's death, became a member of Southern Hills Baptist Church. Leta loved spending time with her family. She considered being a wife to her husband and mother to her two children her most important roles. Leta enjoyed traveling with her family. She visited all 50 states, many of them more than once. She also enjoyed playing Bingo. Leta had many friends. She was known for her sweet, caring personality and her wonderful sense of humor. She was loved by all who knew her and will be greatly missed by all her family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Roy, son-in-law David Robinson, 3 brothers and sister-in-law, one brother-in-law and his wife, 2 nephews, and 2 great-nieces. She is survived by son Jim of Bixby, daughter Karen (Patrick) McKaig of Mountain Home, granddaughter Diana Inks (Billy) and 3 great-grandchildren Jaden, Gavin and Ciera Inks, of Tulsa, and several nieces and their



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families. Funeral Services will be at 10:00am Thursday, March 14, 2013 at Floral Haven Funeral Home, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma with interment following at Floral Haven Memorial Gardens.



Tribute Wall

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Carolyn Chew posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Leta Lou Pitts

March 14 at 6:45 AM



Kevin & Leslie Barrow posted:

Aunt Leta always held a special place in my heart. I'll always remember when I was young and visiting over at Grandma and Granddad Rife's house how Aunt Leta and Uncle Roy were just neighbors behind their lot and we could always go see them. Fond memories of her cooking as well as going fishing with Uncle Roy and Granddad Rife. Karen and Jimmy, we are thinking and praying for you during this difficult time. The void left by your mom's death may seem big at times, but remember you have a loving God Who is bigger. We have that "reunion day" to look forward to someday. We pray the love of God enfolds you during your journey through grief. Hope you know you are loved and being prayed for in the days ahead.

March 13 at 6:20 PM



Kent & Keona Barrow posted:

I am standing upon the seashore. A ship at my side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength, and I stand and watch until at last she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the sea and sky come down to mingle with each other. Then someone at my side says, 'There she goes!'Gone where? Gone from my sight ... that is all. She is just as large in mast and hull and spar as she was when she left my side and just as able to bear her load of living freight to the place of destination. Her diminished size is in me, not in her. And just at the moment when someone at my side says, 'There she goes!' there are other eyes watching her coming and their voices ready to take up the glad shouts 'Here she comes!*****

Jimmy & Karen, We are praying for God to give you comfort and peace. The poem above is a reminder that she is gone from us here, but its only temperary, and she was greeted in Heaven by God and loved ones that are so joyful for her return! Love, Kent & Keona Barrow

March 13 at 3:58 AM



Carol Barrow posted:

Karen and Jimmy, Our thoughts and prayers will continue to be with you all! Aunt Leta was a SPECIAL lady,.I will miss getting her phone calls and running errands together. We always tried to have lunch together afterwards!!! We have a lot of family memories of fun times!!! Karen, she said you and I were definitely a Rife, and for that I am proud!! She is having a great reunion in Heaven and waiting for us! Love to you both!

March 12 at 5:05 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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