



## Eileen Baker

September 12, 1918 - July 24, 2010

Born Margaret Eileen Lewis, the daughter of J. Lloyd and Gladys Metcalf Lewis, Eileen lived in Tulsa from 1928 until 1989. She graduated from Central High School in 1936 and studied at Oklahoma School of Business for two years. She and high school classmate Glenn Ellsworth Baile were married in 1938 and raised five children. She later worked as accountant for Auto Pilots Central. Widowed in 1975, she married Dale E. Cooke in 1978. Widowed a second time in 1981, she met Robert F. Baker in 1983; they were married in 1987 and lived in Pittsburg, KS and Carthage, MO until his death in 2008. Eileen was an avid amateur birdwatcher and nature and music lover. She was a former member of the Audubon Society, the Tulsa Bicycle Club, and the Joplin area Good Sam Club. In the 1970's and '80's she played French horn in the Tulsa Community Band and the Southeast Kansas Symphony Orchestra. In Tulsa, she was a member of All Souls' Unitarian Church. She was also preceded in death by two of her daughters, Margaret Merrilee Baile Lucas and Kathy Marie Bailey, and is survived by sons Lawrence Ellsworth Baile and his wife Marcia of Ridgecrest, CA, and Gregory Lewis Baile and his wife Linda of Broken Arrow, OK; daughter Laurel Elizabeth Baile and her partner Jorge Gutierrez Perera of Madrid, Spain; stepdaughters Debbie Ferelli-Blow and her husband Wayne Blow of Carthage, MO, and Melinda Baker Randolph of Wilson, AR; stepson Bobby Baker of Joplin, MO; sister Ina E.L. Freeman of Garland, TX; 16 grandchildren, 13 nieces and nephews and numerous great-grandchildren and extended family. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to (support research into Parkinson's Disease's specific organization TBC).

# Tribute Wall

BA

“ Grandmother I hope and pray you are at peace. You have lived such a wonderful and eventful life. I truly believe all your life's wishes and dreams have been fulfilled. May you be whole once more! We will carry on your traditions and I promise to teach my kids about the clean plate club and first bed made! I will miss you greatly! I could not have been any more blessed then to have another grandmother to love and be loved.

Brandy, Jason, Chase & Mackenzie Aversa - July 29, 2010 at 02:10 PM

BP

“ Eileen was one of the most interesting women I've met! She was intelligent and always had a great sense of humor. She loved people and especially celebrations. I had fun visiting with her at a recent birthday party. She will surely be missed by her family and friends.

Bea Perron - July 28, 2010 at 08:50 PM

WG

“ Dear Family, WE are so very sorry for your loss. It is not an easy thing to go through. Memories make the time a little less bitter. She lived a fruitful life and had many joys of Motherhood and being a Grandparent. She will be greatly missed. With Deepest Sympathy, Wayne, Kelly, Taylor & Lexi

Wayne & Kelly Blow & girls - July 28, 2010 at 04:04 PM

BB

“ One of the sweetest and kindest ladies I have ever met. It was easy to see why my Father loved her so much. She will be missed by us, especially by my Sister who she shared a special bond with. She has loving arms awaiting her as she is reunited with our Lord and the man she loved so much, my Dad...

Bobby Baker - July 28, 2010 at 11:04 AM

DD

“ Dear family. I t was a great pleasure to know and shair the good times with Eileen and Bob we had meany great conversations together and I will miss her .Love, Dave

Dave Dorman - July 28, 2010 at 12:50 AM

DG

“ A very loving and thoughtful woman. She will be missed very much.

Deb & Gary Giddens - July 28, 2010 at 12:07 AM

JH

“ Our lives have been so enriched by having Eileen and Bob as neighbors, friends, and adopted family. We shared many wonderful camping trips; coffee breaks out in the swing by the pond; Christmas and Thanksgiving meals. And those backyard BBQ's shared with the neighbors and friends were always so enjoyable. We even had 8 campers in our yard for a whole weekend of fun, music, and food. I could go on and on of all the good times we've shared – there is an empty place in our hearts for all those precious times that now only memories can hold. So for now...until we meet again... Love you and miss you Eileen (my adopted Mother) Nancy and Joe

Joe and Nancy Hall - July 27, 2010 at 11:33 PM

DE

“ I hear you walk. I hear you breathing. I hear your chair as you prepare to be comfortable. I hear you solving a puzzle out loud. I hear you laughing out loud at your crosswords. I am still enjoying your smile. I am still enjoying your beautiful expressive eyes. I am still enjoying your touch while you fix my collar, hold my hand, give me a kiss, and hug me. I am still smelling and feeling your beautiful hair while I comb it and put it up exactly how you like it. I see your face & lips while we put on your lipstick. I am still listening to you, your thoughts, your wishes and your stories best that you could in recent times. I also still hear all of your stories and thoughts when they were more clear for you in the past. We met and became family by chance, We became "Other Mother" and "Other Daughter" by choice. My life was and has been and always will be blessed by your love, trust and confidence in me. It was a pleasure & honor caring for you, and I am humbled that you let me. You are and were truly the strength beneath my wings through many times including now. I am happy for you Mother. I know you are with Jesus. I know you are having a celebrated reunion with everyone whom predeceased you. Your Friends, Mom, Dad, Husbands, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, and daughters and one day me. All of these memories, feelings, and more are with me now and will always be with me. I feel your arms around me now and can see your beautiful face now telling me that it is okay for my tears will be held by you as you show me that you will and always will be there. All I have to do is listen and I will hear. I love you with all my Heart and Soul. Miss you, After while crocodile.

Debbie - July 27, 2010 at 06:10 PM

KT

“ So sorry for your loss...my thoughts are with you guys ??

Karen Tobey - July 27, 2010 at 05:18 PM

KF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Aunt Eileen's children and their families at this time. She was always such a dear soul and will be greatly missed. But our loss is heaven's gain and she is at peace with her loved ones who have gone on before her.

Kevin & Gwen Freeman - July 27, 2010 at 04:37 PM

MF

“ She is going to be missed. I am uncle Bob's twin brothers granddaughter. Thank you to Wayne & Debbie for all that you did for her. I love you

Mack & Rebecca Ford - July 27, 2010 at 01:06 PM