



## Elsie Mirah Leonardo

November 24, 1926 - September 25, 2016

A celebration of the life of Elsie Leonardo will be 10:00 a.m., Friday, September 30, 2016 at Abiding Harvest United Methodist Church. Elsie will be laid to rest beside her husband at Fort Gibson National Cemetery at 1:00 p.m. on Friday. Friends may visit the funeral home on Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. with family there to greet visitors from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Elsie passed away on Sunday, September 25, 2016 at the age of 89.

Elsie was born in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on November 24, 1926 to Robert and Mabel (Banford) Jones. Elsie graduated from high school in Toronto and continued her education at Eastern Pentecostal Bible College where she graduated with diploma in Biblical Studies. For a time, Elsie worked as a bookkeeper and accountant, and later in real estate sales, a career she loved and in which she excelled.

At the young age of 12, Elsie walked to a neighborhood church by herself, and chose to become a child of God. She never waivered from her faith or love of God, and that decision gave her direction for all of her life choices. September 24, 2016, the day before she passed away, was her 77th "Spiritual Birthday" as she called it, and she spoke of it herself that day without reminder.

Elsie married Ed Leonardo on February 23, 1952 in Toronto, Canada, and moved to the US where they lived all their married lives together. Their union

endured more than 61 years and was blessed with two children. Elsie was an admirable wife and mother. She loved her children and grandchildren and praying for them was her highest priority.

In her free time Elsie enjoyed reading and studying her bible, participating in nationwide Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) for several years. She also loved antiques and shopping when she could. Many happy memories remain of the times she spent with family and friends at lake cottages in New York state and Canada.

Memorials may be made to Abiding Harvest United Methodist Church 4407 S. Olive Ave., Broken Arrow, OK 74011.

Elsie is survived by,  
Daughter, Judi Eames and husband Robert, Broken Arrow, OK  
Son, Paul Leonardo and wife Kathy, Reinholds, PA  
Grandchildren, Trevor, Gillian and Jason, Kyndra, Dalton  
Brother, Fred Jones, Toronto, Canada

Elsie was preceded in death by her parents, husband, sister Ivy and brothers Jim, Ron and Reeve.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434  
(918) 478-2334

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP **29**. 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
(918) 258-9623  
hayhurstfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Visitation

SEP **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
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## Funeral Service

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SEP 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

Abiding Harvest United Methodist Church  
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## Burial

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SEP 30. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Elsie Mirah Leonardo*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *My family would like to send sincere condolences to the Leonardo family for the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort and hope from the bible promise at Isaiah 25:8. Pray constantly avoid isolation and lean on God as we cope during this most difficult time.*

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