



## Judy Hensley

January 26, 1933 - January 10, 2019

A memorial service honoring the life of Judith Evelyn “Judy” Gilchrist Hensley will be 11:00 a.m., Saturday, January 26, 2019 at Hayhurst Funeral Home Chapel. Judy will be laid to rest at Konawa Cemetery.

Judith Evelyn Gilchrist Hensley, age 85, a resident of Tulsa, Oklahoma, left this world on January 10, 2019, at 7:08p.m. Pneumonia and Stroke predicated her departure after twelve days of hospital care. “Judy” was born January 26, 1933, in Albany, Oregon, the youngest of four children of Thomas and Berenice Gilchrist. She was a popular student in Albany schools and, in fact, was elected Timber Carnival Queen in Albany at age 16. In her freshman year of college at the University of Oregon she met Taft Norwood Hensley. They were married in Albany, Oregon on May 3, 1952. Together they pursued his Air Force career as an officer and pilot. Taft flew in both the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Judy was elected President of the Officer’s Wives Club in Fayetteville, North Carolina, in 1966. As a result of her husband’s career, Judy lived in Germany and England and traveled throughout Europe.

Taft and Judy were blessed with two children: Patricia and John. In 1976 they suffered the devastating loss of John to cancer. They both attended Rhema Bible Training Center in 1978. With Taft’s passing in 1982, Judy began a career in Health and Wellness Marketing. Her skill as an entrepreneur in sales and public speaking grew exponentially over the next two decades, to be in

the top 1% in sales for the parent company. Working with her niece, Sue Egger, at the Portland, Oregon, Art Museum was awesome! She was an integral part of the operation of Advanced Hearing Aids Inc. in Vancouver, Washington, for seven years, active as both the Office Manager and in sales. Judy's great loves in life included her relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, her family and friends, teaching Bible studies and politics. Having led many to faith in Christ she delighted in their spiritual growth which she pursued on cruises and family vacations!

Judy has one surviving daughter, Patricia Susan Hensley Nordean, three grandchildren: Honey Amber Nordean Natale and her husband, John Elijah Natale; Joshua Carroll Nordean and his wife Afton Janelle Volner Nordean; and Jeremiah Taft Nordean. Judy has four great-grandsons, Elijah Vincent Natale; Bear John Carroll Nordean; Boss Ryan Nordean; and Boone Ransom Nordean. Taft's sisters, Shirley Elaine Hensley Maduro and her husband, Michael Maduro; Carolyn Sue Hensley Curtis; and Lettie Ann Hensley Nease. Many, many nieces and nephews also survive Judy. Judy was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Taft Norwood Hensley; their son, John Taft Hensley II; and her family of birth, Thomas and Berenice Gilchrist; Edith Hackleman Gilchrist Jensen; Thurston Pierce Gilchrist and Patricia Ann Gilchrist Owens.

Judy passed away peacefully on Thursday, January 10, 2019, having lived a full life. She greatly desired to depart and be with her Savior and Lord in Heaven. A private burial service will occur on January 18, 2019, in Konawa, Oklahoma. A Memorial Service will be held at Hayhurst Funeral Home in Broken Arrow on January 26, 2019, on Judy's birthday. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Rhema Bible Training Center.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Judy Hensley*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judy Hensley.*



January 23, 2019 at 01:54 PM



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**Shirley Hensley Maduro** - January 18, 2019 at 05:03 PM



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**Shirley Hensley Maduro** - January 18, 2019 at 05:02 PM

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Shirley Hensley Maduro - January 18, 2019 at 04:43 PM

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“ Lit a candle in memory of Judy Hensley



Shirley Hensley Maduro - January 18, 2019 at 04:35 PM

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“ Hayhurst Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Judy Hensley



Hayhurst Funeral Home - January 18, 2019 at 04:33 PM

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“ Judy has always been such a light and joy in our Hensley family. We considered her one of the sisters. Her humor, wit, wisdom, and joy were an example to all of us. She blessed our lives, and know she went to be with the Lord and her beloved Taft, Johnie, parents, in-laws, and other family and friends. She left behind a trail of wonderful memories, examples, and so much more. My prayers, love and thoughts are with Patricia, Amber, Josh and Jeremiah and all her extended family and friends. 2 Cor. 5:8 and Prov. 31. Love you dear sister and know you are at home, Shirley

Shirley Hensley Maduro - January 18, 2019 at 10:35 AM



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Paige Johnston - January 16, 2019 at 03:03 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Judy Hensley.



January 16, 2019 at 12:28 AM



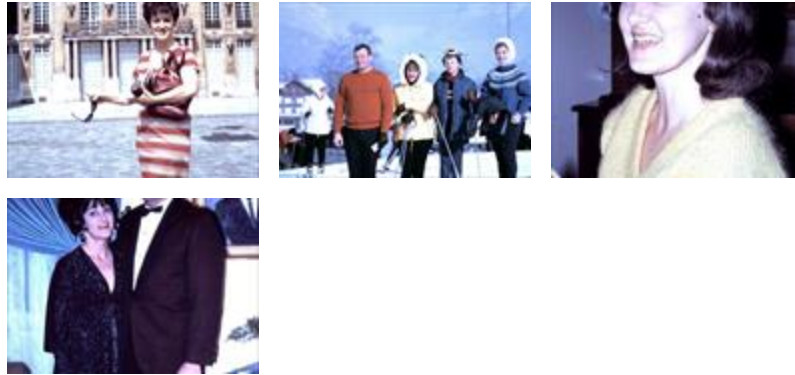
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Afton Nordean - January 14, 2019 at 02:12 PM



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Afton Nordean - January 14, 2019 at 02:11 PM



*I was on this ski trip with my Aunt Judy, Uncle Taft, Patricia and Johnnie in 1970 in Seefeld, Austria. So fun !!!!*

Barbara - January 15, 2019 at 01:10 PM

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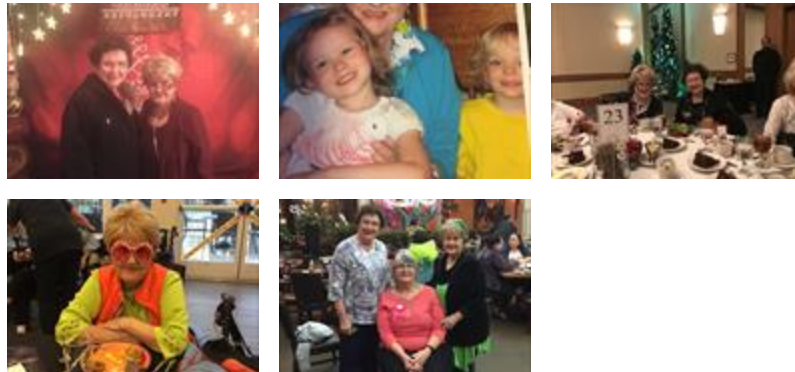
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Afton Nordean - January 14, 2019 at 02:03 PM

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Natale

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Amber Natale - January 14, 2019 at 12:11 PM

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*I was ten years old when Judy married our brother Taft Hensley. Judy fascinated me with her bubbly cheerful attitude because we were brought up to be more reserved. The first time Taft and Judy came to visit us at the farm in Oklahoma, Judy expressed amazement that our milk came straight from cows, not the grocery store and many other "different" ideas. And she wanted to put vodka alcohol) on my chigger bites. We will miss your humor and spirit Judy.*

Lettie Nease - January 18, 2019 at 11:09 AM

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**Amber Natale** - January 14, 2019 at 12:10 PM

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“ It is our honor and privilege to serve the Hensley family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Judy.



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - January 11, 2019 at 12:29 PM