



## Ruth Maxine Ballew

July 13, 1931 - July 28, 2017

Services honoring the life of Ruth “Maxine” Ballew will be 11:00 a.m., Friday, August 4, 2017 at Hayhurst Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will take place at 2:00 p.m. at Tahlequah City Cemetery. Friends may visit the funeral home on Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. with family there to receive visitors from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Ruth “Maxine” Ballew was born Monday, July 13, 1931 in Everton, Missouri to Ivan Alfred and Ona Olive (Underwood) Hosman. Maxine passed away on Friday, July 28, 2017 at the age of 86.

Maxine graduated from Claflin High School in Claflin, Kansas in 1949. She married Dewey Gene Ballew on May 16, 1953 in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. Their union was blessed with four children. Maxine was a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. She adored her family and loved spending time with them. When her children were young, Maxine never missed one of their activities and she lovingly made clothing for her children. Maxine was the ultimate caregiver and took excellent care of her family.

Maxine loved music and was very gifted musically as she could play 17 different instruments including the pump organ at childhood Baptist church. She also loved to travel and enjoyed exploring new destinations with family and friends. Maxine started the Mothers of Twins Club in Broken Arrow in the

early 1970's.

The purity of Maxine Ballew's profound goodness, selflessness, gracious kindness along with her love and her sincere thoughtful actions are all a tribute to her memory and will be carried on in the legacy of love. Maxine's family is deeply grateful for the outpouring of love, prayers, and support during this time of sorrow. Today will celebrate your life on this earth and look forward to seeing you along with our Heavenly Father. Maxine will be deeply missed by all and forever remembered with great love, and will continue to live on in our hearts.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 2448 E. 81st St., Tulsa, OK 74137.

Maxine is survived by,

Husband, Dr. Dewey G. Ballew, D.D.S., Broken Arrow, OK

Children, Kenneth Ballew, Muskogee, OK

Brent Ballew and wife Lin, Tahlequah, OK

Brenda Griffin and husband Greg, Broken Arrow, OK

Linda Newkirk and husband Shawn, Broken Arrow, OK

Grandchildren, Tommy, Heather (Brian), Kendra, Brian (Kim), Eric (Amanda), Keeley, Sasha, Hunter

Great Grandchildren, Keith, Maisie, Dylan, Shawn

2 Great Great Grandchildren, Lexy, Abby

Brother, Rodney Hosman and wife Val, Aurora, CO

Maxine was preceded in death by her parents and great granddaughter Danielle.

# Cemetery Details

## Tahlequah Cemetery

Tahlequah, OK

# Previous Events

## Viewing

AUG 3. 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

AUG 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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AUG 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Maxine Ballew*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *We miss our grandmother Maxine . From the Ballew's in Paris, Arkansas; the Ballew's in San Diego, California and Abby and Lexy Ballew in Broken Arrow , Oklahoma .*

**Tom Ballew. grandson** - September 29, 2017 at 10:45 PM



“ *Dear family, your Mother was a lovely lady. I always enjoyed our visits when she was able to come to the bank. I know you will miss her but Heaven is surely more beautiful with her there. God Bless all of you.*

*Carol Sue Willcutt - AVB Bank #109*

**Carol Sue Willcutt** - August 05, 2017 at 09:19 AM



“ *Maxine loved to sit outside on the porch swing, she would talk about the flowers she grew, things she had planted in her garden. And other things that came to mind. Most of all she liked sitting outside on her porch swing, and just breath the fresh air that comes her way.*

*Maxine, You lived your life to the fullest. Now its time for God to take care of you. I will miss all those hugs, and smiles you gave me when I was there to see you. R.I.P.*



**Rebecca** - August 04, 2017 at 05:57 AM



“ *Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.*



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August 04, 2017 at 01:41 AM



“ *Sasha And Hunter lit a candle in memory of Ruth Maxine Ballew*



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**Sasha and Hunter** - August 03, 2017 at 01:01 PM



“ *24 files added to the album New Album Name*

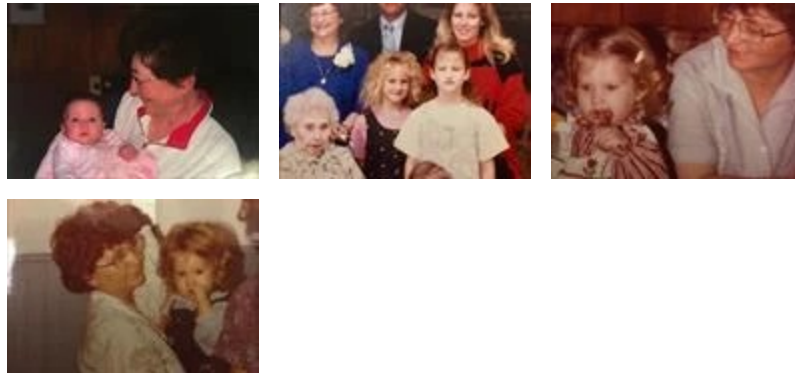


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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - August 03, 2017 at 12:51 PM

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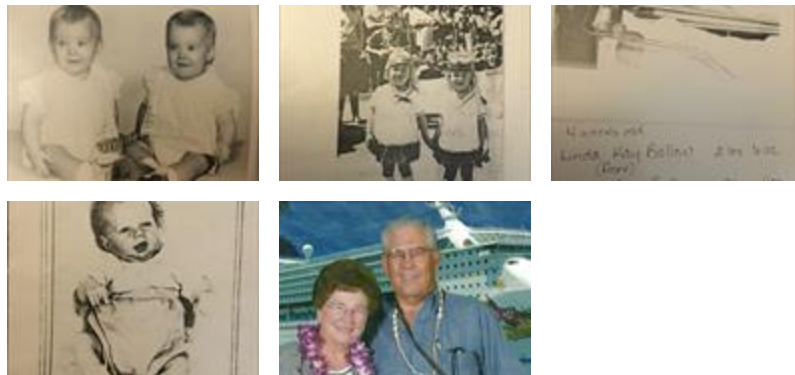
“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Heather Elgin - August 03, 2017 at 09:13 AM

BG

“ 9 files added to the album New Album Name



Brenda Ballew Griffin - August 02, 2017 at 11:59 PM

UB

“ UBBC purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.



UBBC - August 02, 2017 at 11:38 PM

BG

“ 11 files added to the album Maxine Ballew



Brenda Ballew Griffin - August 02, 2017 at 11:30 PM

HK

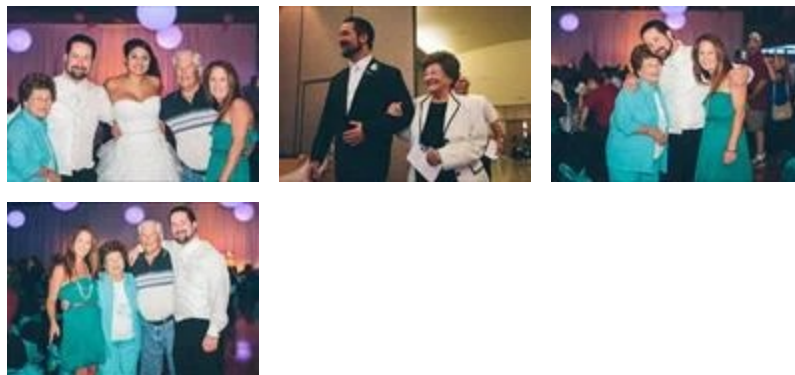
“ Heather, Brian and Kendra purchased the Treasure Lilies Spray for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.



Heather, Brian and Kendra - August 02, 2017 at 11:09 PM

BB

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Brian Ballew - August 02, 2017 at 09:30 PM

LN

“ 1 file added to the album *Family and Friends*



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**Linda K Newkirk** - August 02, 2017 at 08:53 PM

LN

“ 1 file added to the album *Family and Friends*



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**Linda K Newkirk** - August 02, 2017 at 08:51 PM

SN

“ *Shawn And Linda Newkirk lit a candle in memory of Ruth Maxine Ballew*



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**Shawn and Linda Newkirk** - August 02, 2017 at 07:43 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.*



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August 02, 2017 at 07:20 PM

BB

“ *Brent And Lin Ballew lit a candle in memory of Ruth Maxine Ballew*



Brent and Lin Ballew - August 02, 2017 at 07:04 PM

S(

“ *Sasha Newkirk ( Igor) Hunter Newkirk (Bri) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.*



Sasha Newkirk ( Igor) Hunter Newkirk (Bri) - August 02, 2017 at 01:59 PM



“ *10 files added to the album Memories Album*



Hayhurst Funeral Home - August 02, 2017 at 11:07 AM

JL

“ *Jan and Danny Lyon purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.*



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**Jan and Danny Lyon** - August 02, 2017 at 07:17 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.*



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August 01, 2017 at 08:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.*



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August 01, 2017 at 10:40 AM

LN

“ *God's Promise  
God did not promise days without pain,  
Laughter without sorrow or sun without rain. . .  
But God did promise strength for the day,  
Comfort for the tears, and a light for the way.*

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**Linda Newkirk** - July 31, 2017 at 10:46 PM

LN

“ 2 files added to the album Maxine Ballew



Linda Newkirk - July 31, 2017 at 10:28 PM

RA

“ Raynelle purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of Ruth Maxine Ballew.



Raynelle - July 31, 2017 at 01:55 PM

HH

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



Hayhurst Funeral Home - July 31, 2017 at 12:12 PM

RL

*I remember Maxine working for hubby dr ballew in the office . Always so sweet . Condolences to her family .*

robbie loyd - August 01, 2017 at 08:24 AM

BS

*I have fond memories of Maxine through the Mothers of Twins Club. Maxine, myself, Linda Middaugh, Mildred Mason, Shirley Majors and a few others were some of the "founding members" of this organization. We were all chosen by God to bring Twins into this world, and we are all better for it. Maxine was a very special lady, always sweet, kind to everyone. She was one of the "pillars" of this community in her early years and will be missed by many, but, honored by those whose lives that she touched. Betty Smith*

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**Betty Smith** - August 02, 2017 at 11:49 AM