



Ruth "Jim" Wilkinson

October 21, 1925 - July 17, 2024

Ruth E. "Jim" Wilkinson was born on Sunday, October 21, 1925 in Cleveland, Oklahoma, the daughter of John Henry and Ruth Marjorie (McCorkle) Stearman. She passed this life on Wednesday, July 17, 2024 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She was 98 years, 8 months and 26 days of age.

The former Miss Ruth Stearman was a 1943 graduate of Cleveland high school. She married C.W. "Bill" Wilkinson on May 3, 1950 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Cleveland, Oklahoma. Ruth was a Real Estate Broker, with Magic Empire Homes. She had also worked for John Hausam Real Estate and Wilkinson Manufacturing Company. Ruth enjoyed cooking, traveling, Wilkinson weekends and Quilting, having made numerous quilts for her family. She always made everyone's favorite dishes when the family would get together, Lasagna, Chicken and Noodles, Stew, Biscuits and Gravy, Potato Salad and her famous Cinnamon Rolls, Hot Coffee was always served as well. Ruth's greatest joy was spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She loved celebrating birthday with each of her family.

She is survived by,

Daughter, Therese and husband Joel Jones, Broken Arrow, OK
Ruth and John Shannon, Highland Village, TX

Sons, Pat and wife Cyndi Wilkinson, Broken Arrow, OK
Reno Wilkinson, Broken Arrow, OK
Bill Wilkinson, Broken Arrow, OK
Matt and Lelanie Wilkinson, Flower Mound, TX

Grandchildren, Carrie and Rob, Kim and Chris, Friday and Joe, Kelly and Rob, Kevin and Jeni, David and Alisha, Mandy and Jeff, Kate, Mary and Chris, Lauren, Rachael and Matt, T.J. and Abi, Ben and Cynthia, Jessica and Mike, Hannah, Stephanie and Saleh, Brittany, Katelyn, Adam

24 Great Grandchildren

Sister, Katy Vaughn, Tulsa, OK

Brother in law, John and wife Carol Wilkinson, Tulsa, OK

Numerous Nieces and Nephews

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, John and Ruth; husband, Bill; Son, Michael James; Daughter in law, Lori; Siblings, Ethel, George, Ray, Lou, Hank and Sam

The family requests memorial contributions to:

St. Jude Children's Hospital

https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR;jsessionid=00000000.app20016a?px=5824322&fr_id=154861&pg=personal&NONCE_TOKEN=A72698DEB65D5F7733CE1D6C9BD8EF8A

Cemetery Details

Woodland Cemetery

Cleveland, OK

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 21. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home
1660 South Elm Place
Broken Arrow, OK 74012
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Visitation

JUL 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Rosary

JUL 21. 6:30 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

JUL 22. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Osage and C Street
Cleveland, OK 74020

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Pictorial Video Tribute*



Hayhurst Funeral Home - July 21, 2024 at 07:15 PM

GW

Just located this beautiful legacy of Aunt Jim.

Sorry, I didn't hear about her passing until Labor day.

May the souls of the faithfully departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace AMEN 🙏❤️

GREG WILKINSON - September 05, 2024 at 01:58 PM



“ 5 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Hayhurst Funeral Home - July 21, 2024 at 07:15 PM

BG

Ladies, Gentlemen, family, and friends

We gather here today to honor and celebrate the life of an extraordinary woman, an outstanding grandmother, who has touched the hearts and lives of so many. As we remember her, we are filled with a deep sense of gratitude for the time we were fortunate enough to spend with her.

Gran! was a pillar of strength and wisdom, a guiding light for our family. Her life was a testament to resilience and love, and she embodied the virtues that we all strive to achieve. She taught us the importance of kindness, patience, and the value of hard work. Her stories of perseverance and courage in the face of adversity inspired us all to be better versions of ourselves.

Her home was always a place of warmth and welcome, filled with the aroma of her delicious cooking and the sound of laughter. She had a unique ability to make everyone feel special and loved. Her hugs were a source of comfort, and her words were always thoughtful and wise. She had an uncanny knack for knowing just what to say to lift our spirits and guide us through our challenges.

Gran was not only a matriarch but also a mentor. She instilled in us a sense of heritage and pride, teaching us about our family's history and traditions. Her lessons extended beyond words; they were woven into the fabric of our lives through her (pillows and blankets) she made for us, her actions and the example she set. Her legacy lives on in the values she imparted and the love she shared so generously.

We remember her laughter, her gentle smile, and her unwavering faith. She found joy in the simple things and taught us to appreciate the beauty in everyday moments. Her cooking was a testament to her nurturing spirit, and she found great satisfaction in watching us stuff our faces.

Though we mourn her loss, we also celebrate the incredible life she lived. Her spirit remains with us, a constant source of inspiration and strength. We are blessed to have had her in our lives, and her memory will forever be etched in our hearts.

Gran, you have left an indelible mark on all of us. We will carry your love and wisdom with us always. Thank you for the countless ways you enriched our lives. May you rest in peace, knowing that your legacy will continue to shine brightly through the generations you have so deeply touched.

With all our love and gratitude,

From your Grandson Benjamin/Cynthia/ and great grandchild Elijah

Benjamin Gibbons - July 22, 2024 at 06:30 PM

CC

“ *My sister, my brother and I are sorry for your loss. Our parents, Wynette and Bill Camp, were close friends in the 50's and 60's. I remember Ruth and Bill living just down the block in Wagon Wheel addition in Tulsa. We all got together a lot. Ruth was a smiling and kind person.*

Charlotte, Mike and Sammye

Charlotte Caudell - July 21, 2024 at 09:50 AM

CW

“ *Clyde & Cathy Walters purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ruth "Jim" Wilkinson.*



Clyde & Cathy Walters - July 20, 2024 at 11:54 AM

DW

“ *Condolences from one of Mike's Bishop Kelley HS classmates.*

David Williams - July 19, 2024 at 09:08 AM

AD

“ *What a lovely lady. May she have eternal rest, Oh Lord.*

Ann and John Darnaby - July 18, 2024 at 04:28 PM

FF

“ From your Love Envelopes Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Ruth "Jim" Wilkinson.



From your Love Envelopes Family - July 18, 2024 at 09:15 AM

FF

“ From your Love Envelopes Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Wilkinson.

From your Love Envelopes Family - July 18, 2024 at 09:15 AM

ST

“ To me, she is Aunt Jim. You talk about a woman who always had it going on.... She did. She's my mom's sister and they were best of friends. Lots of good memories. I know the two of them are having a good time today. And my dad is asking her "Did you bring me some of your cinnamon rolls?"

Sue Tennell - July 17, 2024 at 09:09 PM

HH

“ It is our honor and privilege to serve the Wilkinson family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Ruth "Jim".



Hayhurst Funeral Home - July 17, 2024 at 01:56 PM