



Neva Lee Essex

January 31, 1927 - April 17, 2023

Neva Lee Essex, age 96, passed peacefully into heaven to be with Jesus, on Monday, April 17, 2023, at her home. Neva was born January 31, 1927, in Cardin, Oklahoma to Dallas and Tulah (Mills) Horner. She was the last survivor of five children.

Neva graduated from Welch High School and attended Legal Secretary School in Miami. She worked for Bob Nesbitt, Attorney at Law in Miami for fourteen years. She then worked at Miami Public Schools for over thirty years. Neva married L.M. Essex and had a son, Lawson Essex, his wife is Carol, and also had a daughter Nancy (Essex) Goforth, she was married to Dick Goforth until his passing.

Neva had two granddaughters, Kelsey Acuna, of Miami, and Holly Ahlfield and her husband Keenan, of Independence, Missouri. Neva had three great grandchildren, Makenzie Young, of Bartlesville, Kaylee Acuna of Miami, and Brett Ahlfield of Independence, Missouri.

Neva loved to fish, read, bowl, and spend time at the lake with Kelsey and Holly. She never missed a soccer game, cheer competition, dance recital, or anything to do with her family. Neva had a rescue dog, Kronos, that was her constant companion and was devoted to her, she also had a cat that she had rescued named Ethel.

There will be a celebration of Life at the First Christian Church's Chapel in Miami, Saturday, April 22, 2023 at 10:00 AM. There will be a private burial at Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery. Services have been placed in the care

of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

The family has asked that memorial Contributions be made to The Animal Welfare and Adoption Agency, PO Box 691, Miami, OK 74355.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Neva's Tribute Page at www.brown-winters.com.

Cemetery Details

Grand Army of the Republic

2801 North Main Street
Miami, OK 74354

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church Chapel of Miami
2424 North Main
Miami, OK 74354
(918) 542-9816
<http://www.fccmiamiok.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Neva Lee Essex*



Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 21, 2023 at 01:40 PM

BC

“ *Lawson, so sorry to hear of your Mothers passing. She was a wonderful, kind lady, that put up with some ornery kids from the MHS class of 81. Love and hugs to you and your family.*

Becky (Butler) Curry - April 22, 2023 at 10:42 AM

DD

“ *Lawson, So sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. May God wrap His loving hands around you and Carol and give you peace.*

David Dallas - April 21, 2023 at 11:06 PM

CB

“ *Nevada was a wonderful, caring lady. I first knew her from school. A few years later, I worked with her as we started one of the first Animal Adoption groups in Miami, along with Lonnie Jay and another caring lady, Jill, maiden name Beauchamp. Rest in peace Neva, and prayers for her family.*
Cheryl Froman Bagnell

Cheryl Froman Bagnell - April 21, 2023 at 01:56 PM

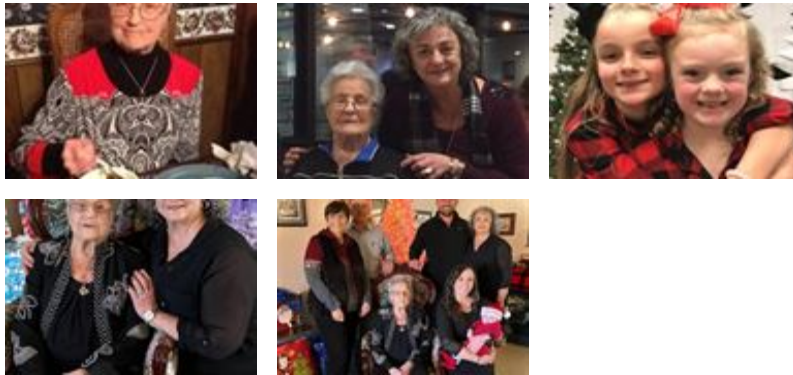
CB

So sorry for auto correct typing for Neva. ❤️

Cheryl Froman Bagnell - April 21, 2023 at 01:58 PM



“ 77 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 21, 2023 at 01:25 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Neva Lee Essex.



April 21, 2023 at 08:06 AM

NW

“ I can't think of MHS without picturing Neva Lee Essex in the office. I was terrified of her when I actually skipped school one afternoon with my future husband Russell, but somehow I wrangled an admit from her, after promising never to skip again, and I didn't. I've always thought it was because she and I shared the name Neva! I'm sure there are so many similar stories from us MHS kids.... We were lucky to have her in our lives. My prayers to Lawson, Nancy, and family 😊. Jeannie Wells

neva jeanne "jeannie" wells - April 20, 2023 at 04:06 PM

DF

“ Donna Backman and Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Neva Lee Essex.



Donna Backman and Family - April 20, 2023 at 10:40 AM

LH

“ Neva was the school secretary of MHS when I was in high school. She was kind but firm. I have good memories of her the and as we became reacquainted when I was an adult. Nancy, Lawson, Carol and family my thoughts and prayers are with you all. Linda Hailey

Linda Hailey - April 19, 2023 at 01:29 PM

NG

“ Nancy, your mother was a wonderful mother. I am thinking of you and your girls as you feel the loss. 💕💕💕 NG

Nancy Gee - April 19, 2023 at 08:52 AM

JL

“ *Neva was a joy to work with at MHS. Always cheerful in the morning and still at the close of the day. Very fond memories of a wonderful lady.*

John Lomax

john lomax - April 18, 2023 at 10:11 PM

DM

“ *Worked with Neva for several years at Miami High School. Boy did I get an education but she treated me like a son.*

DeWayne Mead - April 18, 2023 at 07:41 PM