



Jewel E LeDou

March 12, 1936 - July 12, 2020

Jewel was born on March 12, 1936 in Fairview, OK to Charles Ambrose Bullard and Sarah Olive (Bays) Bullard, Jewel graduated from Dacoma School System.

While in high school she was involved in singing, plays, Pep Club and Glee Club and was Miss Dacoma. After graduation she attended NWOSU.

Jewel was joined in marriage to Dean Davison on September 19, 1956. To their union 3 girls were born, Deana Dian Broekhuizen, Julie Ann Helm and Shelley Machell Reed. On August 4, 1988 she was married to Kenneth LeDou.

Jewel worked for the Southwestern Bell as a telephone switch board operator. She was best known for dispatching for the Alva Police Dept., Fire Dept. and EMS. Serving as Chief Dispatcher for many years. Jewel joined the Lord July 12, 2020 at the age of 84 years and 4 months.

Jewel is preceded in death by her husband, parents, two brothers, three sisters and her Grandson Elliot Burton. She is survived by her daughters Deana and Geert Broehhuizen, Grove, Ok; Julie Helm and significant other John Shepherd, Alva, OK; Shelley and Mark Reed, Dacoma, OK; her Bonus children Ken LeDou (Yvonne); Mark LeDou (Martha). Grandchildren DesiRae Wiersig, Erica and Bobby Kraft, Mindy and James Eslinger, Audra and Chris Qualls, Valerie and Adam Schmidt; Sam Ledou; Greatgrandchildren Gretchen and Reichen Kraft; Cole, Hagan and Griffen Wiersig; Ian Eslinger, Avery Qualls, Samara and Ari Schmidt. She is also survived by many other relatives

and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 9: AM Thursday July 16, 2020 at the Alva Wesleyan Church by the direction of Wharton Funeral Chapel in Alva, OK. Private burial at Alva Municipal Cemetery will follow.

Memorials may be made in Lieu of flowers to the Alva Senior Citizen Center and the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation in the care of Wharton Funeral Chapel, 1302 Oklahoma Blvd., Alva, OK, 73717.

Cemetery Details

Alva Municipal Cemetery

1698 Flynn Street
Alva, OK 73717

Previous Events

Family Visitation

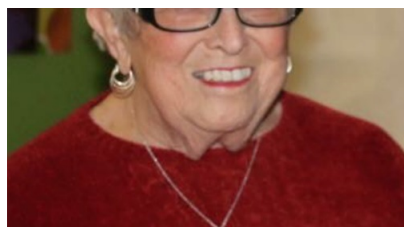
JUL 15. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Wharton Funeral Chapel, LLC.
1302 W. Oklahoma Boulevard
Alva, OK 73717

Tribute Wall



“ *Wharton Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Jewel E LeDou*



Wharton Funeral Chapel - July 14, 2020 at 07:29 PM



“ *Wharton Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Jewel E LeDou*



Wharton Funeral Chapel - July 14, 2020 at 05:26 PM



“ *Deana, Julie, & Shelley -- Many prayers to comfort you in your time of grief. Your mom was one of a kind, always smiling & laughing. I know you will miss her. With prayers, Natalie Miller*

Natalie Miller - July 18, 2020 at 11:49 AM

CB

“ I was not able to attend but just now watched the video and it was so telling of her life ~ a life well lived and full of love. Peace be with all of Jewel's family. I know you are already missing her but gosh what wonderful memories to cherish forever!

Carol Bramlett - July 17, 2020 at 05:38 PM

KR

“ Jewel was such a good friend to our dad--they had a lot of fun together dancing and going to movies. I hope this link to their dancing class video comes through. My sympathies to your families.
Kathy Reynolds

Katherine Reynolds - July 16, 2020 at 08:03 PM

BF

“ My thoughts and prayers for each of the family. I will always remember Jewel as a person who loved life and the people in it. She was such a friendly and fun-loving person. May each of you have the peace and comfort that God can give .

Barbara Faulkner - July 16, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jewel E LeDou.



July 16, 2020 at 06:05 AM

MJ

“ A police dispatcher you could always count on as well as a friend.
Mike Jones. Oklahoma Highway Patrol

Mike Jones - July 15, 2020 at 08:47 PM

CR

“ 1 file added to the album “The Mayor”



charles r randles - July 15, 2020 at 06:29 PM

KK

“ *Maggie and I were so sad to hear of Jewel’s passing. She had a unique ability to put people at ease, and her sense of humor was infectious. She will be missed, what a great lady! Thoughts and prayers to the family.*

Ken and Maggie Koppenaal

ken koppenaal - July 15, 2020 at 04:34 PM

SS

“ One of my favorite memories of Jewel was when she & Doris Opal went on a road trip, stopping in Houston to stay with me. They insisted on going out country dancing. We got all dressed up & went out dancing. They kept talking to all the cowboys- trying to set them up with me! Probably one of my best nights out... I swear they would talk, laugh & flirt with just anyone. Jewel was a firecracker! Had such love for her family, she will be very missed! My thoughts & prayers are with all three of you. You're never ready to loose your momma!

Sharene Lahr Smith - July 15, 2020 at 01:44 PM

SR

“ To the family of Jewel LeDou,

*We were so sorry to hear of Jewel's passing,
she will be truly missed.
Know that our thoughts and prayers are with
all the family.*

*God bless and comfort all of you,
Tom and Sherry Ramy*



Sherry Ramy - July 15, 2020 at 01:19 PM

TG

“ When I was running for a spot on City Council, I stopped by Jewel's house to see if I could put a sign in her yard. She interviewed me for about an hour in her house before she agreed to let me display my sign in her yard. By the way, It seemed like a lot longer than one hour ! lol I was honored that she backed me and always enjoyed her at City Council meetings. She was very respectful and was only their to make our town better not to be negative. When she talked believe me we all listened to her words.

We will miss her for sure and I am praying for her family and for our city now that we have lost such a wonderful person.

Sincerely,
Trent Goss

Trent Goss - July 15, 2020 at 01:05 PM

JD

“ Girls your mother was a fun loving lady, one of a kind. Over the years we had some good times and some sad times but every minute is a great memory that I will cherish forever. We are very sorry for your loss & you all are in our prayers. Marilyn and I will be in Enid at a doctor and will not be able to be there for the funeral but will be thinking of you. Again may GOD be with you all at this time of sorrow. Your Uncle Jim and Marilyn.

Jim & Marilyn Davison - July 15, 2020 at 10:51 AM

AQ

“ What a wonderful “bonus” grandma to be blessed with. She was truly one of a kind. The most vivid memories I have with her include summers in Alva, making ice cream and learning how to dance in her living room. I'm sure many more memories will flood back as I view her services. She will be missed. Love to all the family! ❤️

Audra Qualls - July 15, 2020 at 10:24 AM



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July 15, 2020 at 10:07 AM



“ *We want to share this memory of Jewel visiting Holland (The Netherlands) In 2007 she came over for the 50e anniversary of the wedding van Pa en Ma Broekhuizen, together with Julie. We just had bought the ground on which we would build our new farm. So we drove Jewel to our place in Koekange and she was kind of nervous in our car, because the ways here are very small/narrow and we drove in normal speed. But in Jewels eyes, it was scary. Sche screamed a little, but afterwards we had laughter about it. The ways here in Holland are small in comparison with yours. Also there is more traffic.*

We are glad that we have visit her in hospital during our last trip to the USA in august 2017. Remember; what you carry in your heart, will never disappear!

Hildo, Margreeth, Niek, Annegreet and Ruud Broekhuizen.

Margreeth Broekhuizen - July 15, 2020 at 08:54 AM



“ *I shared a lot of laughs with Jewel as a former Alva PD Officer. She was a good friend to the officers and will be missed.*

Lt Mike Norman OHP - July 14, 2020 at 11:10 PM

AB

“ I have so many fun memories of your mom. Deana, I have no doubt that she loved the Dutch fellas as much as we do! ;-) Sending hugs and prayers for all of you. Love, Henk, Amber, & Cristen

Amber Bosch - July 14, 2020 at 10:25 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jewel E LeDou.



July 14, 2020 at 07:38 PM

RG

“ Rafael Cruz and Mercedes García purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Jewel E LeDou.



Rafael Cruz and Mercedes García - July 14, 2020 at 07:37 PM



“ 102 files added to the album “The Mayor”



Wharton Funeral Chapel - July 14, 2020 at 05:26 PM

GB

“ Deana, Julie, and Shelley you and family are in our thoughts and prayers. Jewel was a good friend of Mom and Dad as well as other members of the Chaffin family. She will be greatly missed. Doug and I both have many fond memories of your mom and we will treasure those memories. Prayers for you as you rejoice and celebrate the life of your mom.
Love you and will see you later Mama Jewel! Bud and Gayla Becker
Doug and Susan Chaffin

Gayla Becker - July 14, 2020 at 05:25 PM

JC

“ John Shepherd & Ronda Cook purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jewel E LeDou.



John Shepherd & Ronda Cook - July 14, 2020 at 05:06 PM

AN

“*Jewel, what a wonderful lady! Always enjoyed our visits wherever we would see each other. She was a great friend to my dad. Often visited him as she made her rounds of visiting her friends at Beadles. Hand-delivered her sympathy card to me which was so thoughtful and appreciated. Could turn a somber conversation into laughter.*

She will be so missed. Prayers to Deana, Julie and Shelly and everyone who were very fortunate to know this wonderful lady!

Anita Noland - July 14, 2020 at 03:43 PM

BO

“*A lady in town that will be missed. Never knew where you would run into her at, but it was always good for a smile and a laugh! Thank God we had a person like this lady living with al of us in Alva Ok.*

BobHansel - July 14, 2020 at 02:43 PM

SS

“ I am so thankful and blessed to have known Jewel! She had a firecracker spirit, very quick witted, onery as ever, energetic, full of love, but best of all she was a woman of the Lord God! ❤️ Sunday mornings were a joy with her, especially her prayer requests and praise reports and music suggestions, listening to her testimonies and soaking up her wisdom during Bible study and the love of Christian music we both shared together in very special moments! Her love she has shown others speaks volumes of her relationship with Jesus! What a legacy this woman leaves! Her beautiful daughters and all of their families are a testimony of this amazing woman!

I can see the Fireworks in heaven, celebrating your homecoming Jewel!

Praying for comfort for you Deana, Julie, Shelly and family. We love you all very much.

Love in Christ,

Susan Seevers and family

Susan Seevers - July 14, 2020 at 02:06 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jewel E LeDou.



July 14, 2020 at 10:07 AM

CS

“ *The smile on the lady to the left of my writing says it all. May God be with your family in these sad times.* ”



Cleo/Jim Scribner - July 13, 2020 at 11:01 PM

PH

“ *Always a wonderful sweet lady . Proud of her family . Hugs and prayers to all of you !* ”

Pam Henderson - July 13, 2020 at 09:51 PM

KA

“ *Ken Pam Ellis and Jessica Chad Anthony purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Jewel E LeDou.* ”



Ken Pam Ellis and Jessica Chad Anthony - July 13, 2020 at 09:10 PM

DT

“ *What a wonderful person and most of all mother you girls all had. Thoughts and prayers. Rick and Dot* ”

Dot Tyree - July 13, 2020 at 08:29 AM

SB

“ *Jewel you will be missed I will miss the stories of you and mother burney at dispatch class but most of all we will miss you and love you! Robert and Shelley* ”

Shelley Burney - July 13, 2020 at 06:15 AM

MB

“ Love you to pieces Jewell. You were a very special and kind person. I will miss you.

Mardonna Brady

Mardonna Brady - July 13, 2020 at 02:10 AM

KT

“ Jewel was such a family favorite of ours! We couldn't wait until she and her girls showed up at the reunions at the lake. I know mom and dad have saved a spot around the campfire for her in heaven. God bless Deana, Julie and Shelley.

Kirk Taylor - July 12, 2020 at 10:39 PM

VW

“ Jewel was a special lady and friend to us. We always enjoyed her visits. Our deepest sympathies to her family. Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers. Jewel, may you rest in peace in God's arms. We will miss you.



Virgil and Lavon Wiersig - July 12, 2020 at 10:30 PM

AJ

“ To Jewel's family... my sincere sympathies to all of you. She and our dad, Bob Reynolds, were very good friends. I think they took ballroom dance classes together.

One great memory: I remember one time they went to a movie that came out a few years ago. I was quite surprised they would even go since there was lots of violence and raw language. Dad chuckled as he said midway through he could hear someone snoring and it was Jewel. Take care and enjoy your memories. Ann (Reynolds) Jester

Ann Jester - July 12, 2020 at 09:03 PM

BB

Loved Jewel so much. Knew her many years. She was a great Dispatcher with APD. She loved Alva so much and always wanted more beauty. I saw her one day weeding at the courthouse. Now Jewell you are well and can work on God's beautiful gardens. You will be missed. Bill and I thought a lot of you and the 3 beautiful ladies you raised and their service to our community. Love ❤️ to you.

Bill and Linda Beeler - July 12, 2020 at 10:28 PM



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July 12, 2020 at 07:19 PM

IE

“ *Heaven has gained another Jewel, a real gem in my life and the life of so many others. She had the uncanny ability to make one laugh at any opportunity! Girls, you had a real gift of a mother. Remember the good times (she'd want you to). Love to you all!*

Ida Evans - July 12, 2020 at 07:09 PM

GH

“ Dear Deana, Julie and Shelly,
I am so saddened by your mother's passing. I will never forget her. She was so kind to me when my father passed and especially generous to me years later when I was in Alva from California, settling my parents estate. I stayed with her in her house for several months. I had met her previously while visiting my parents on many occasions at the Senior Center for lunch. She remarked that I should move back there because we could have a lot of fun; and we did. Jewel was the kindest, most generous person I have ever met. I will think of her every year on her birthday , and many other times, as she and my son shared a birthdate.

Gale Hale - July 12, 2020 at 05:23 PM

RC

“ Years ago, back in the early 1970s Jewel worked at the Woods County Courthouse for a while. I loved working with her, she would tell lots of very funny stories of her life and her kids. She was a nice good person. Duane Carter

R. Duane Carter - July 12, 2020 at 05:12 PM

JS

“ Mallory and I were talking when we found out.
,we both said Jewel was just one of a kind.
We loved her so much. Truly will be missed.



janette seevers - July 12, 2020 at 05:01 PM

SL

“ Deana, Julie and Shelly so sorry to hear of your Moms passing. She was one of a kind! She so loved you girls and her grandkids. She made our world a better place! We are all better having known her! You are on my mind and in my prayers.

Sheila Lehr - July 12, 2020 at 04:29 PM

GH

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Gale Hale - July 12, 2020 at 04:45 PM

LB

Called her Thursday and re-lived old times in our lives like it was yesterday, growing up together at Dacoma, family reunions, happy times kidding one another. It was a great visit over the phone since we both agreed to stay away from virus exposure. She was always my grown up sister and I loved and respected her very much. She will be missed by me, my family and all who knew her. I am very sorry for the loss for Deana, Julie and Shelley also, as she was a great mom to them all her life. Lots of good memories!

Larry L Bays - July 12, 2020 at 05:12 PM

PO

“ I will remember Jewel as being just that "A Jewel"! She was a person who loved her town and wanted others to be proud of it too by taking care of the physical aspects!
You could often find her at City Counsel meetings offering ways to help our city! Jewel, we'll miss you and your caring ways!

Peggy O'Neil - July 12, 2020 at 03:35 PM

RM

“ So sad to hear , she wore her name well, Jewel❤️ What a fun loving person she was. Prayers for the families, Randy and Paula McMurphy

Randy & Paula McMurphy - July 12, 2020 at 03:10 PM

KM

“ I've gone to church with Jewel the last few months. In women's bible study this winter she told how she came to know a sweet Jesus. My very last memory of Jewel is of her two Sunday's ago. She was holding the praise team leaders hands and they were appropriately singing Jesus loves the little children in response to the sermon. I'm thankful for her influence.

Konya Martin - July 12, 2020 at 03:06 PM

LO

She was a Jewel. Prayers for the family.

Linda Olson - July 12, 2020 at 04:36 PM

JM

I attended Dacoma High School with Jewel & yes, she was a real jewel! Looked forward to "long time ago" seeing each other at reunion. She has joined my husband in Heaven. I live in Olathe, KS.

Janice Easterling Morris - July 13, 2020 at 08:12 PM

DE

“ Jewell was really a Jewell!!! She loved you girls and grandkids with all her heart. She always had smile on her face, a song in heart and a dance in her step!! She was such a good sweet wonderful lady! Oh how she loved to dance and I'm sure is dancing now!! We will really miss her but heaven has gained a JEWEL❤️🎵🙏🏻🌈 Love Leon and Fonna

Donna Erikson - July 12, 2020 at 02:56 PM

CF

“*Jewel was a one of a kind lady. She was always fun to be around & knew everyone. She will be missed so much. R.I.P. Jewel*💖



Camille King Fife - July 12, 2020 at 01:43 PM

NG

“*One day, when I was a little girl, Jewel and my Aunt Betty went to Enid together. I was over the moon when I found out I was going to get to go with them! All day long, Jewel and Aunt Betty laughed and laughed, and they made me laugh, too! Then Jewel wanted to stop by the Health Food Store. I just thought that was the coolest place. Jewel got me some banana chips which tasted like heaven to me. I still think of that trip and smile every time I eat one. Jewel was one-in-a-million.*



Natalie Case Gifford - July 12, 2020 at 01:00 PM

GS

Wonderful !!!!

Gene Virginia Stands - July 12, 2020 at 02:47 PM

JM

“*I will always be grateful for her caring for my grandmother, Phyllis Fisher! She was a kind woman,*

Jeff McAlpin - July 12, 2020 at 12:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jewel E LeDou.*



July 12, 2020 at 12:06 PM



“ *She was an amazing lady always full of life. She will be missed by everyone. My thoughts and prayers with her family . Hugs and love.*

jana Terrell - July 12, 2020 at 12:05 PM



“ *She was a wonderful lady she helped me with my Grandmother when i couldnt take her to Dr appointments and she always called me little Eddie i bet her and my grandmother are having a good time! she will be greatly missed*

Amy Allen - July 12, 2020 at 11:33 AM



Jewel was so good to my Mother...Mother often said “she is a jewel”! May special memories fill the void in your hearts! 🙏

Vaughna Schmidt - July 12, 2020 at 12:08 PM



I shared one of my favorite photos. Jewel and I became great friends during the summers I stayed with the family in Dacoma, and later when she came to stay with our family in Lamar. I was fortunate to have seen her a few months ago, and we have talked a lot lately about our times together and how much we loved being together. I will love her and miss her forever. -=DR

charles r randles - July 12, 2020 at 02:11 PM

DB

“ *Mama was surrounded by the 3 lives of her life, her daughters. She loved people and so many have and will always love her. Please share a memorable story of her. The onery the better. Thanks!*
Deana Broekhuizen-Davison.

deana broekhuizen-davison - July 12, 2020 at 07:45 AM

VS

Girls I am so sorry about your mom she was the most funniest laughable person she loved everybody she will be missed May God wrap his arms around all of you at this time Prayers for you all I Peewee

Violet marie smith - July 12, 2020 at 08:47 AM

DF

Jewel was such a wonderful companion and dear friend to Phyllis and we can only imagine the reunion those two are having . Prayers for Jewel and her family! The Fishers

Dean Fisher - July 12, 2020 at 09:20 AM

 Doug Gourley

I had so much fun with her at the octfiest at avard.. We laughed told story's she will be missed. Prayers for her family an God Bless her.

Doug Gourley - July 12, 2020 at 11:00 AM

PE

Our hearts our broken. We loved jewel so much.

Pam Ellis - July 12, 2020 at 11:05 AM

LP

I have a lifetime of good memories of Jewel. She and Kay Lohmann Veatch kept us laughing on Girl Scout camping trips. At one week long camping trip when everyone else was at the Bon Fire Karen, Chris, Laura Beth and I "borrowed" Jewel and Kay's under garments. The next morning at the official opening flag ceremony everyone found us saluting our fearless leaders bras and underwear at the top of the flag pole. Jewel and Kay laughed and laughed. The GS Council members- not so much. Jewel and kept us from getting out of Girl Scouts and the Camp. There are so many more memories of this awesome lady who was such an important part of our lives.

Linda Case Pfeider - July 12, 2020 at 11:25 AM

TM

So sorry for your loss Dena! She was an amazing lady!❤️

Tammy Mustard-Sawyer - July 12, 2020 at 11:29 AM

JG

From another Fisher....Jewel is someone who cared about people and what is right..She would tell you...So many in Alva have been blessed by her kindness and friendship, what a great loss, I know she was tired and worked thru pain. God bless her girls, they are blessed for having her as their mom.

Jane Gaskill - July 12, 2020 at 11:29 AM

JM

We are so sad to hear the passing of Jewel😞. We always looked forward to visiting her! After every visit we left with a smile on our face! She was so upbeat and positive! We will miss her! Hugs a prayers for all the family, Joy & Mike

joy meier - July 12, 2020 at 11:34 AM

SR

Jewel was such a positive influence to everyone she was around. Mike says she is someone he will never forget. I send all of you hugs and prayers.

Sheila and Mike Rodkey - July 12, 2020 at 12:14 PM

DM

I have stories I could tell for days! Jewel was always my other mother! Her and my mom were a mess when they were together! From the Kenny Rogers Concert to accompanying them to the male strippers 🙈👩! To all the laughs and good times they made it for us kids! Taking my car when it was snowy out so they could cut donuts in parking lots to taking their butter and jelly to Pizza Hut and ordering just a crust to eat it on! My memories could go on forever as they will but I know it was a glorious reunion when my mom met her at those pearly gates! To Deana, Julie, and Shelly...you know I've always loved you three like sisters! Sending my prayers of strength and comfort during this difficult time! I love you all very much!!

Delinda Pearson McMurtrie - July 12, 2020 at 01:56 PM

KC

So sorry for the loss of Jewel! Prayers for you girls and all her family and friends. She will be missed by all of Alva and surrounding communities. Her outreach went even further and she was a light to all who met her. She knew the most important things in life were the experiences with family and friends. I will miss her so much and will be forever grateful for knowing her and our many conversations about life that taught me so much. She was a gem for sure. One thing I know for sure is she recently said she was "ready to go" and she truly wasn't afraid. She knew wholeheartedly she was going to the pearly gates to spend eternity with her Savior.

Kerri Covalt - July 12, 2020 at 02:49 PM

CN

So sorry for your loss, Deana, Julie, and Shelly. Jewel was a special lady who was a favorite of many! Prayers for you all.
Cynthia Nighswonger

Cynthia Nighswonger - July 12, 2020 at 06:35 PM

VS

I've known Jewel for years! She was so good to my Mother, who often said "she was appropriately named 'Jewel'". RIP, Jewel!

Vaughna Schmidt - July 13, 2020 at 11:43 AM

RS

*Aunt Jewel was such special person. She had so much love for everyone and everyone loved her. Jewel was always so much fun and she had all laughing when we were together. Her love will carry on thru Deana, Julie and Shelly and all her grandkids. Jewel will be deeply missed by everyone that knew her. Love you Deana, Julie, Shelly.
Sincerely Rodney Scobee*

Rodney Scobee - July 13, 2020 at 03:58 PM

KS

I'll always remember Jewel, as she always had a kind word to day and a cute little laugh. We use to work on puzzles together at the Senior Citizens Center there in Alva. Rest in Peace, Jewel.

Kathy Schwerdtfeger - July 13, 2020 at 04:25 PM