



Madean Ima Rush

July 1, 1910 - October 16, 2013

Madean Ima, daughter of Henry David & Martha (Lena) (Cummings) Sims was born at home on the farm near Henryetta, Okmulgee County, Oklahoma on the 1st of July 1910 with a Native American midwife in attendance. She passed at the Enid, Homes of Greenbrier on 16th October 2013 at the age of 103 years, 3 months and 15 days.

The family moved to Waurika, Oklahoma where Madean attended school and graduated with the class of 1929. She then attended Draughn's Business College, Wichita Falls, Tx. Where she graduated with a degree in accounting.

She was working as a bookkeeper at the Ford Dealership in Waurika and had a room in a boarding house that was run by her great aunt, Maude Sim Miller. There was a young assistant veterinarian and a certified veterinarian also staying there. Their job was drawing blood from milk cows to check for Bangs Disease and Madean's parents had a dairy farm. When Madean and Donald saw each other for the first time it was love at first sight and they were married on the 8th of June 1940 at Enid, Ok.

They lived their married life in Alva and she was the first women hired by the Farmer's Cooperative to keep the harvest books. A job which she filled for many years.

After Donald died on September 16, 1987 she moved to Enid to be near her family.

She is Past Enid Chapter Regent, Daughters of the American Revolution; past president of Robert Coe Chapter Colonial Dames of XVII Century; past treasurer of Sgt. Amos Kirkpatrick Chapter Daughters of War of 1812; member of Oklahoma Chapter of Colonial Daughters of the 17th Century; New England Women; Plantaganet Society, First Families of the Twin Territories of Oklahoma; Sovereign Colonial Society of Americans of Royal Descent; and National Society of Magna Charta Dames. Genealogy was her hobby and passion.

She was a Sunday School and Vacation Bible School teacher at the First Christian Church (Disciples) of Alva. She and her husband served as treasurers of the church. Currently she was a member of Puritan Congregational Christian United Church of Christ, Drummond, Oklahoma.

Besides her husband she is preceded in death by her brothers, Roy Thomas Sims and James Lewis Sims Sr.

Left to cherish her life is her daughter, Donna and her husband Larry Lamb, of Drummond; granddaughter, Teresa and her husband Michael Mitchell, of Tuttle; also two great granddaughters as well as three nephews and one niece.

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Tribute Wall

JH

“ Donna, I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother--but what a marvelous life she lived. I remember her clearly from our grade school years. I wish I had known her as a genealogist as that is also my passion. As a fellow sister in DAR, I would have loved to hear her family stories.

Judy Hall - October 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ So sorry for your loss. Madean was truly a loving and caring person. Always loved seeing her when you came to Alva. We extend our sympathy to the family.

Jerry&joyce Egner - October 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

FK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Fred & Dovie Kaupke - October 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM