



MeRita Hoy

September 12, 1911 - November 19, 2012

MeRita Ella Smith Hoy was born September 12, 1911, near Dacoma, Oklahoma. She met and subsequently married Fred Richard Hoy of Covington, Oklahoma. Both were alum of Northwestern State Teacher's College.

MeRita quietly said goodbye to this world on November 19, 2012. She was 101 years, 2 months and 7 days. She left us surrounded by those who love her dearly, and joined 101 years of loved ones who went before. MeRita loved first her Lord, and then her earthly bridegroom, Fritz.

Following in her footsteps are: her daughters, Rona Ellen Hoy LaPilusa and her husband Joseph and Sonna Jo Hoy Russell. Rona and Joe's children include Marcus Richard and his wife Stephanie, Justin Alexander and his wife Sarah, Michael Joseph and his wife Allison. Sonna's children are Travis Glen and his wife Allison, Clint Richard and his wife Cindy, Brady Scott and his wife Jennifer and Kaet Elizabeth Russell Ruffner and her husband Andy. MeRita has eight great-grandchildren. Remaining are her brother-in-law, Wallace Hoy and Nina, and sister-in-law, Etta Mae Aulick.

Also following are a host of family, friends, and caregivers; hundreds of poor, needy and lonely people she so faithfully devoted her life to helping...all of whom she loved with her whole heart. MeRita dedicated her energy to Christian education and work for the Nazarene Church. To highlight her extended community services she received the NWOSU Alumni Humanitarian Award and recognition as the first Long-term Care Ombudsman in the State of

Oklahoma. MeRita Hoy will be deeply missed as we remember her incredible life and legacy.

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Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

Alva Church of the Nazarene
728 College Ave
Alva, OK

Tribute Wall

DL

“ *Mrs. Hoy was my favorite sunday school teacher. So many good memories of a special lady.*

David & Lyn Lyon - November 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *Sonna and Rona. Please know that we feel with you in this of loss. She was a great lady and servant of the Lord. What a legacy to leave.*

Wayne

Wayne Murrow - November 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TN

“ *Sonna & Family,*

I am sorry for the loss of your mother. What a long life she had here on earth. I am praying for strength and healing in this time.

Timothy Nelson - November 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ *Ronna...Im very sorry for the loss of your mother...my prayers are with you an your family....*

Charlotte Holt Edwards - November 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Sonna,
To me MeRita was a very kind a giving person. I was glad that I got
to know her just the little time she was here. I wanted to call but felt
like you had alot to deal with. My thoughts and prayers are with you
and your family.*

Cheryl Diefenbach - November 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *Our sympathy is extended to the famiy of Ms. Hoy, she was such a
neat and pleasant lady. Larry and Carolyn Woods*

Carolyn Woods - November 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *Dear Family,
Blessings to you during this time. Your mother was so very special
and love by many of us.
Jane Gaskill,*

Jane Gaskill - November 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM