



Wanda Lea Hackney

August 28, 1926 - May 30, 2010

Wanda Lea, daughter of Florence Lucille (Long) and Cecil Floyd (Swede) Bickford was born on August 28, 1926 in Freedom, Oklahoma. She passed away at the Wichita St. Francis Hospital on the 30th of May at the age of 83 years, 9 months and 2 days.

She attended the Freedom School and graduated from the High School with the Class of 1945.

Miss Bickford was married to Charles Earl Hackney on April 20, 1946 at Coldwater, Kansas. Their marriage four children, Linda, Leslie Earl, Charles Eugene and Gayland Dee were born.

Following their marriage they lived near Lookout, and then to Coldwater, Kansas in 1950, in 1952 came to Alva. In 1954 to Haysville and in 1960 moved to Valley Center where they have made their home.

Mrs. Hackney was a member of the Valley Center First Christian Church, a past Chapter Regent of the Little Arkansas Chapter of the D.A.R.

She was preceded in death by Earl on May 27, 1985, her son, Gayland Dee on February 7, 1985, a grandson, Craig Alan Michlitsch and her parents.

Wanda is survived by her daughter, Linda Michlitsch and her husband, Robert of Wichita, two sons, Leslie Earl and his wife, Kathy and Charles Eugene all of Valley Center, Kansas. Seven grandchildren, Crystal Rogers, Tammy Weber, John Michlitsch, Michelle Rinehart, Chantel LaMaster, Daniel Hackney and Kira Peasley; nine great grand children. A sister, Iris Omsby of Oklahoma City and a brother, Melvin Bickford of Alva, a sister-in-law, Colleen Nixon of Enid,

Oklahoma and a brother-in-law and his wife, Walter Dee and Sue Hackney of Omaha, Nebraska; a number of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She will lay in state at the Valley Center Christian Church on Thursday evening from 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.

Contribution may be made in her memory to the Little Arkansas Chapter of the D.A.R. to 536 North Birch Valley Center Kansas 67147.

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Tribute Wall

AD

“ I wonder if this was the nice lady I meet in maine doing the bickford family history, she was so nice and stayed at our motel. Has a southern drawl accent. great lady.

adam - April 24, 2021 at 02:34 AM

TW

“ I will truly miss you grandma. Thank you for all the things you created by hand for me and my girls. You will forever be missed by everyone who encountered your wonderful presence in this life.

Tammy Weber - June 05, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Gene,Linda,Les & families:
She was very knowledgeable with the DAR as one of the charter members. Active in her volunteer service at the Bob Dole Veterans hospital, and always had a smile for everyone she met. We will miss her

Becky Hunter - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ I love you Grandma

Michelle Rinehart - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WR

“ I am so saddened to learn of the death of your mother.She was such a good friend to me and my sisters when we were growing up, and well after we were all married. We know that she is with Earl, Gayland, and the rest of her loved ones..

Wanda Reed - June 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ We were sorry to hear of Wanda's passing. May the memories you hold dear help you get through the days ahead. Our thoughts & prayers are with you. God bless.

Dudley & Jeanne Winn - June 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM