



Shirley Ann Heath-Hocker

September 5, 1947 - December 22, 2015

The funeral service for Shirley Ann Heath-Hocker, age 68, of Enid, will be at 10:00 AM Tuesday, December 29, 2015 at Central Assembly of God Church with Rev. Jesse Heath, Rev. Joshua Cosby, Rev. Rocky Keck, and Rev. Jim Duck officiating. Burial will follow in the Maysville Cemetery in Maysville, Oklahoma at 3:00 PM. Visitation for family and friends will be Monday evening 5:30 to 7:00 PM at Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home.

Shirley was born to Robert and Beulah (Mershawn) Vaught on September 5, 1947, in Navarro, Texas, and passed away Tuesday, December 22, 2015, at her home in Enid.

Shirley married Rev. Larry Raymond Heath on June 13, 1965, and they pastored several Assembly of God churches in Oklahoma and one in Arizona. After his death in 2009, she married Bill Hocker, of Enid on August 2, 2012. Shirley began preaching at the age of 13. She was a licensed minister with the Assemblies of God for over 35 years and was ordained in April, 2014. Shirley graduated from Southwestern Christian University with a Bachelors Degree in Human and Family Services in August, 2015. Shirley was a member of Alpha Sigma Lambda and received the Spiritual Leadership Award in May, 2015. She was a paraprofessional at Glenwood Elementary, working with students with developmental disabilities.

Shirley is survived by husband Bill of the home; children, Tina Smith and husband Jeff of Leedey, Larry Heath and wife Kimberly of Poteau, Robert Heath of Granite, John McKinney and wife Nikki of San Diego, California, Rev. Jesse Heath and wife Roberta of Edmond, Traci Heath of Nicholasville, Kentucky, Jonathan Heath of Lawton, Brandi Clemens of Blackwell, Scott Hocker and wife Leah of Enid, and Duane Hocker, of Enid; nineteen grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; brother-in-law Jim Heath and wife Lorraine and sister-in-law Judith Summers and husband Larry.

She was preceded in death by her parents, first husband Rev. Larry Heath, granddaughter Andrea Heath, two brothers-in-law and a sister-in-law.

Cemetery Details

Maysville Cemetery

Maysville, OK

Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

Central Assembly of God Church
1202 W. Oxford
Enid, OK 73703

Visitation with Family & Friends

DEC 28. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Anderson-Burris Funeral Home Chapel
3002 N. Van Buren
Enid, OK 73703
<http://www.andersonburris.com>

Tribute Wall

NG

“ Shirley you were a hoot! I have no doubt you are in Heaven cutting up! Praying for the family to have peace.

Nicole Graves - December 31, 2015 at 11:30 PM

KW

“ Praying for your family Shirley. I have a confidence where you are. You made us laugh like no one else.

Kevin Ward - December 29, 2015 at 06:46 AM

ES

“ One trait of Shirley's I have always admired was her great capacity to love. She loved all her children, all her family and friends. "Now abides hope, faith and love. The greatest of these is love." We all will carry that love in our hearts until we see her again.

Esther Stanley - December 28, 2015 at 11:08 PM

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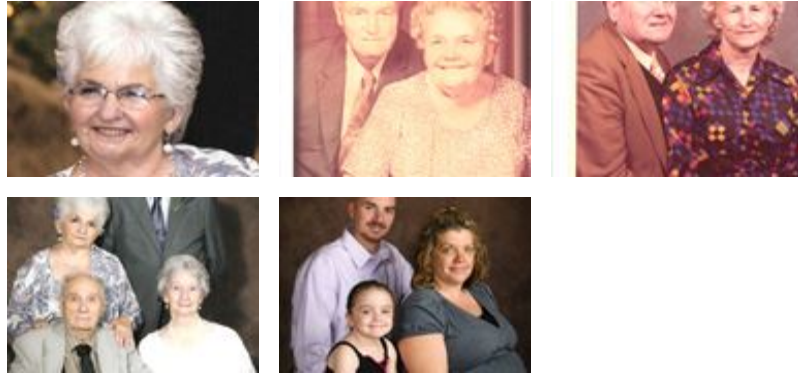
“ I will always remember my cousin for her caring ways and great sense of humor. She kept me in stitches. When she, her mother and my father got together you just knew something was going to make them laugh and their laughter would be contagious, spreading like a wild fire to those around them. Draw some comfort that she is laughing now in Heaven with Jesus, perhaps cracking the Good Lord Himself up with heart felt belly laughs.

Ron Mershawn

Ron Mershawn - December 28, 2015 at 09:23 PM



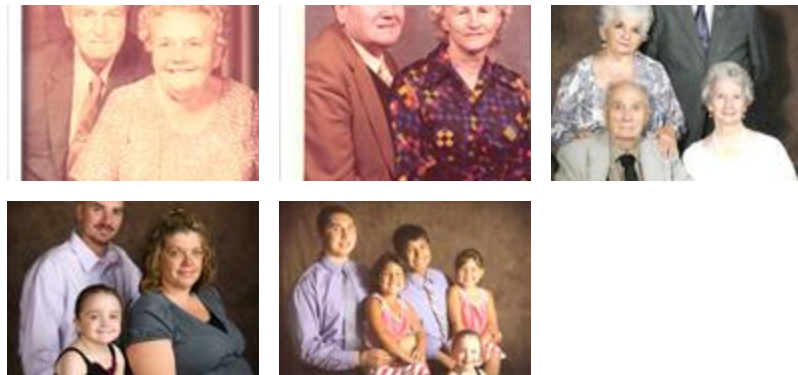
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Anderson-Burris Funeral Home - December 28, 2015 at 01:29 PM



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Anderson-Burris Funeral Home & Crematory Enid - December 28, 2015 at 09:18 AM



“ *Sherry was always the most encouraging and happiest of people. Our kids grew up together and she and our husband led our little church for years. We had lost touch after she moved from Maysville and had only reconnected through Facebook two days before her passing. Her kindness and zest for life will be truly missed.*

Samantha Robb - December 26, 2015 at 07:45 AM

LP


“ I remember Shirley as a good neighbor who would walk across the street and check on me from time to time. I remember how happy her and Bill were. I was really sad to see them move away.

Lucille Preston - December 25, 2015 at 02:27 PM

ES

“ I recall one Valentine's Day when we were pastoring in Wilburton. Jesse and our Tami were small. Shirley had this wonderful, awful idea (as she sometimes did...ha!). She wanted all of us to get all dressed up and go out to eat. Larry drove up to the parsonage and they all got out. Jesse, dressed in his little suit, handed a red rose to Tami. Then we all piled into their suburban and drove 30+ miles to Pete's Place, a swanky Italian restaurant in McAlester, laughing all the way. Shirley insisted I try the Lamb Fries, because she knew I had no clue as to what they really were. After devouring several, I noticed Shirley was just sitting there with an impish grin on her face watching me enjoying those Lamb Fries. Then she announced, with a wicked laugh, what they really were! Needless to say, I never ate another Lamb Fry! Years later I wondered if she cooked up the whole thing just to see the look on my face! She was so much fun!!

Esther Stanley - December 25, 2015 at 11:56 AM


Delainya
Bonner

“ She made me feel like family and im no relation!! We wrote each other back and forth and she brought me thru alot of tough personal things i was dealing with. She reached out to me in a way no one has ever done. Im so happy to have known her, even if only thru facebook. My heart is with your family and sending prayers for comfort. I love u so much berta, we have been friends since we were kids, and it hurts me to see you hurting, and im so sorry you're family is hurting . she is with the angels among us and her work on earth was done, and i know God was very happy with her.

Delainya Bonner - December 24, 2015 at 08:43 PM

AH

“ I will miss Shirley. She was always kind and welcoming. Prayers for the family.

Abbye Hillman - December 24, 2015 at 08:30 PM

SV

“ Shirley left a big mark on my heart. She was my favorite Pastors wife and preacher. I felt she loved me like Jesus did. She loved unconditionally. I could be myself and she didn't judge me. We had some good times together. One of those times was at a Ladies Retreat where I hid her false teeth that night and she woke up trying to find them the next morning. I also remember other stories about those teeth. When she moved away she was my facebook friend and encourager. I will miss this her dearly.

Shelia Vestle - December 24, 2015 at 07:59 PM

GR

I first meet Shirley when she & Bro. Heath was the Pastors at Maysville Assembly of God.. She was always happy & always encourage others... Shirley could make the Piano talk!!! She was anointed by God & when she preached you knew God was present... She was a very special LAdy!!! We will miss her! Ginger Randol

ginger randol - December 28, 2015 at 09:42 AM

MH

“ I have only known Shirley about 3 1/2 years but found her to be a true servant of the Lord. She had a very generous heart to help people. I remember the time she came to my house and fixed our Thanksgiving Dinner. In my 69 years of marriage no one had ever waited on the family but me. It made an impression on my heart that she loved to care for people. I loved her very much. She became my daughter-in-law and fit into our family immediately. My heart hurts and I will miss her so much.

Mary Hocker - December 24, 2015 at 07:30 PM