



Bessie Mae King

March 12, 2024

Bessie Mae King was born July 24, 1930, in Oak Grove, Louisiana, to Noah John Smith and Bessie Smith. She died Tuesday, March 12, 2024, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the age of 93 years. Bessie was married March 20, 1947, in Oak Grove to William Annerson King. They had made their home in Owasso, Oklahoma, in 1965. Bessie spent much of her working life as a machinist with Continental Industries in Tulsa. She was a longtime faithful member of Rejoice Free Will Baptist Church in Owasso. She enjoyed a variety of pastimes including reading, but especially quilting. She enjoyed being around her Sunday School Ladies. Bessie was known for always doing good things for people. She dearly loved her family and was especially fond of her role as “Mimi” to her grandchildren. Those she leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

Children; Betty Reitz, of Muskogee, Oklahoma

Frank L. King and wife Veda, of Turpin, Oklahoma

Cathy Campbell, of Owasso, Oklahoma

Ruth Newton and Dave Newton, of Skiatook, Oklahoma

Helen Guse and husband Mike, of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

William King and wife Kelly, of Ennis, Texas

Grandchildren; Tammy Pitts and husband Brian, of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

France Reitz, Jr., and wife Christianne, of Muskogee, Oklahoma

Dustin Post, of Turpin, Oklahoma

Montana Johnson and husband Jason, of Hugoton, Kansas

Wyatt King and Crystal, of San Antonio, Texas

Danette Todd, of Catoosa, Oklahoma

David Elkins and wife Laura, of Irvine, California

Leslie Seaton and Kevin Leverette, of Oologah, Oklahoma

Christian Campbell, of Owasso, Oklahoma

Michael Taylor and wife Heather, of Owasso, Oklahoma

James Newton and wife Heather, of Grand Forks, North Dakota

Jessica Grissom and husband Marshall, of Talala, Oklahoma

William Sams and wife Kristin, of Andover, Kansas

LaShonda Deatherage, of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

Tony Guse, of Albuquerque, New Mexico

Lindsay Horn and husband Aaron, of Hockley, Texas

Nick King and wife Jen, of Houston, Texas

52 Great Grandchildren and Nine Great Great Grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, William King, daughter, Brenda Elkins and granddaughter, Franka Post.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. Funeral service will be held 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 21, 2024, at Rejoice Church in Owasso with Pastor Leonard Pirtle officiating. Committal service and interment will follow at Floral Haven Memorial Gardens in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. The family requests memorial contribution be made in Bessie's memory to the Rejoice Foundation, 13413 East 106th Street North, Owasso, Oklahoma, 74055, or at <https://rejoicechurch.com/rejoice-foundation>. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso.

www.moweryfs.com

Cemetery Details

Floral Haven Memorial Gardens

6500 South 129th East Avenue
Broken Arrow, OK 74012

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service Chapel
9110 North Garnett Road
Owasso, OK 74055

Funeral Service

MAR 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

Rejoice Church
13413 East 106th Street North
Owasso, OK 74055

Memorial Fund

MAR 21 (CT)

Rejoice Foundation Christian Education Fund
13413 East 106th Street North
Owasso, OK 74055

Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Canales Family purchased the Blue Caribbe an Bouquet for the family of Bessie Mae King.*



The Canales Family - March 20, 2024 at 04:36 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bessie Mae King.*



March 20, 2024 at 09:10 AM

DT

“ *David Todd purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bessie Mae King.*



David Todd - March 19, 2024 at 08:56 PM

WT

“ *We love you: Broken Arrow MOB Team purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Bessie Mae King.*



We love you: Broken Arrow MOB Team - March 19, 2024 at 04:47 PM

RD

“ Randy and Donna purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Bessie Mae King.



Randy and Donna - March 19, 2024 at 02:13 PM

RD

“ Randy and Donna planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bessie Mae King.

Randy and Donna - March 19, 2024 at 02:13 PM

AL

“ Amanda Gilligan and Chris Lang purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Bessie Mae King.



Amanda Gilligan and Chris Lang - March 18, 2024 at 08:12 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bessie Mae King.



March 18, 2024 at 09:49 AM

IG

“ IAT Insurance- Surety Group purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Bessie Mae King.



IAT Insurance- Surety Group - March 16, 2024 at 10:59 AM

GR

“ Gary & Angela Ridenour purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Bessie Mae King.



Gary & Angela Ridenour - March 15, 2024 at 08:03 PM

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“ Gary & Angela Ridenour planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bessie Mae King.

Gary & Angela Ridenour - March 15, 2024 at 08:03 PM