



Billie Jean Tatum

May 4, 1934 - September 4, 2020

OBITUARY FOR BILLIE JEAN TATUM

Billie Jean Tatum was born May 4, 1934, in Sperry, Oklahoma, to Alton and Verdie Irene Sandridge Jacobs. She died Friday, September 4, 2020, in Springdale, Arkansas, at the age of 86 years. Billie completed her secondary education in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and graduated with the East Central High School Class of 1951. She was married October 2, 1979, in Wagoner, Oklahoma, to Darrell Lavon Tatum. They had made their home in Owasso before moving to Springdale, Arkansas. She spent most of her working life as an office manager with Western Towel Uniform in Tulsa. Billie enjoyed a variety of pastimes including camping and fishing. She and Darrell also enjoyed traveling together and taking the occasional trip to the casino. She took great pleasure in her role as “Grandma Billie” to her grandchildren. Those she leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

Children; Norman Roberts and wife Linda, of Warner, Oklahoma
Clairese Barchenger and husband Brian, of Tontitown, Arkansas
Mike Tatum, of Skiatook, Oklahoma

Numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Darrell, daughter, Karen Harvell, and son Troy Roberts.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 9, 2020, at Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. Funeral service will be held

10:30 a.m. Thursday, September 10, 2020, at the Mowery Funeral Service Chapel in Owasso with Pastor Leonard Pirtle officiating. Serving as casket bearers will be Eli Barchenger, Daniel Baker, Colton Roberts, Aaron Barchenger, Brian Barchenger, and Norman Roberts. Committal service and interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Owasso, Oklahoma. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso.

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Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

11811 E. 76th St. N.
Owasso, OK 74055

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **9**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service
9110 N. Garnett Rd.
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Service

SEP **10**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BM

“ *Billie was a dear friend and neighbor for 48 years. We shared a lot of laughs and solved a lot of world problems on her front porch. She babysat my grandchildren and treated them as her own. She made the best divinity candy I ever ate and was always going to teach me how to make it but We never got around to it. I will cherish her friendship forever. RIP sweet friend.*
Barbara Morrison.

Barbara Morrison - September 14, 2020 at 03:13 PM

MT

“ *Billie was such a great and wonderful person. She loved her family . Jim and I loved Darrell and Billie so much. It was never a dull moment in the house with all the family. We had such great times with them. I loved just setting and talking with Billie just me and her. Billie and Darrell both were there for me and Jim , always came and helped me out with Jim before he passed. She has a heart of gold, I will miss her. Love you Billie. 💕💕💕💕*



Michele Tatum - September 10, 2020 at 06:57 AM

KR

“ *Grandma Billie was a wonderful person and I will be forever grateful for the love and attention she showered on all the kids (including me) that called her "Grandma Billie". She always had a smile on her face and good food in the kitchen. She made life better for so many, now she is enjoying life again. God Bless and Hugs, Kim Richardson*

Kim Richardson - September 09, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Billie Jean Tatum.* ”



September 09, 2020 at 11:22 AM



“ *Lynnette Aaron lit a candle in memory of Billie Jean Tatum* ”



Lynnette Aaron - September 09, 2020 at 10:34 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Billie Jean Tatum.* ”



September 08, 2020 at 09:15 PM

XB

“ *Gone From My Sight - by Henry Van Dyke*

*I am standing upon the seashore. A ship, at my side,
spreads her white sails to the moving breeze and starts
for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength.
I stand and watch her until, at length, she hangs like a speck
of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each
other.*

Then, someone at my side says, "There, she is gone."

Gone where?

*Gone from my sight. That is all. She is just as large in mast,
hull and spar as she was when she left my side.
And, she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her
destined port.*

Her diminished size is in me -- not in her.

*And, just at the moment when someone says, "There, she is gone,"
there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices
ready to take up the glad shout, "Here she comes!"*

And that is dying...

xxoo.. b. - September 08, 2020 at 09:55 AM

WF

“ *With Love, xxoo... B. & family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Billie Jean Tatum.*



With Love, xxoo... B. & family - September 08, 2020 at 09:47 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Billie Jean Tatum.*



September 08, 2020 at 09:24 AM

JT

“ *Jeanne and Mike Tarleton purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Billie Jean Tatum.*



Jeanne and Mike Tarleton - September 07, 2020 at 07:33 PM

CB

“ *Clairese Barchenger lit a candle in memory of Billie Jean Tatum*



Clairese Barchenger - September 07, 2020 at 05:48 PM

DF

“ *Danny Russow & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Billie Jean Tatum.*



Danny Russow & Family - September 06, 2020 at 04:06 PM