



Ethma Mae Barham

May 3, 1942 - October 24, 2024

Ethma Mae Sams Barham, born on May 3, 1942, in Perry, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully on October 24, 2024, in Joplin, Missouri. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and cherished member of her community.

Ethma graduated from Tulsa Central High School in 1960 and continued her education at Draughon's Business College, where she met the love of her life, Robert Barham. They were married in September 1961 and sealed for time and all eternity on June 15, 1971. Together, they built a loving family and a lifetime of cherished memories.

Ethma was known for her deep love of the gospel of Jesus Christ, which guided her throughout her life. She was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, where she held many callings and touched the lives of those around her.

A skilled genealogist, Ethma found great joy in exploring her family history. She was also passionate about sewing, cross-stitching, and canning, often sharing her creations with family and friends. Her favorite meals were those prepared by her husband, which held a special place in her heart.

Ethma took immense pride in her family, especially her grandchildren: Jeremy Vinasco, Hailey Barham, Carson Barham, Kirsten Hall, Spencer Barham,

Christian Hall, Jordan Hall, and Cambree Barham. Being with them was her favorite place in the world.

She worked as an administrative assistant at Dr. Edward V. Roberts' dental office, where her kindness and dedication left a lasting impact on her colleagues and patients alike.

Ethma is survived by her children, Nancy O'Banion and husband Charles, and Paul Barham and wife Mailene. She is also survived by her sibling, Eldon Sams, sister-in-law Judy Sams, as well as her brother-in-law Richard Barham as well as many nieces and nephews.. Preceding her in death is her mother April Mae Sams, brother Nathan Sams, and daughter Susan Ann Barham

The legacy of Ethma Mae Sams Barham will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her. She will be remembered for her unwavering faith, kindness, and the love she freely shared with those around her.

Cemetery Details

Floral Haven Memorial Gardens

6500 South 129th East Avenue
Broken Arrow, OK 74012

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 12:00 PM (CT)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
9300 North 129th East Avenue
Owasso, OK 74055

Funeral Service

NOV 4. 1:00 PM (CT)

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