



## Mary Elizabeth Rusher

October 26, 1923 - June 3, 2018

Mary Elizabeth Hard Rusher was born October 26, 1923, in Hunt Town, Arkansas, to Elet Patton and Mary (Callahan) Patton. She passed from this life on Sunday, June 3, 2018, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the age of 94 years. Mary was reared and educated in Arkansas where she attended school. When she was still in her teens, Mary took a train from Clarksville, Arkansas, to San Diego, California, and worked on bomber planes as a Rosie the Riveter during World War II. She was married on December 15, 1941, to Jesse Hard. After Jesse passed away just before their 50th wedding anniversary in 1991, Mary was later married to James Rusher. She spent most of her working life as a Silk Screen Fabricator with McDonnell Douglas. She had faithfully attended Central Baptist Church in Owasso, Oklahoma, since 1968 until her health inhibited her attendance. Mary was a very hard worker and worked in the home raising her children and working full time. In her spare time she enjoyed a variety of past times, but mainly shopping. Those she leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

Daughter;

Beth Parsons and husband Richard, of Tulsa

Grandchildren;

Rhonda Kent and husband Brian, of Fayetteville, North Carolina

Brook Hicks and husband Steven, of Fayetteville, North Carolina

She was preceded in death by her parents, Elet and Mary; first husband, Jesse; late husband, James; four sisters, Martha, Rosa, Edith, and Virgie;

three brothers, Raymond, Willie, and Willis; and son, Michael.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, June 8, 2018, at the Mowery Funeral Service Chapel in Owasso with Reverend Leonard Pirtle officiating. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Owasso, Oklahoma. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial donations be made in Mary's memory to a charity of your own choosing. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso. [www.moweryfs.com](http://www.moweryfs.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Love & Condolences, June & John Braaten & family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Mary Elizabeth Rusher.*



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**Love & Condolences, June & John Braaten & family** - June 07, 2018 at 11:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Elizabeth Rusher.*



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June 05, 2018 at 05:42 PM