



Anna Murray

November 26, 1931 - October 24, 2011

Anna Lou Murray of Waldron, Arkansas went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, surrounded by her family, Monday morning, October 24, 2011 in a Waldron, Arkansas hospital. Anna Lou was born November 26, 1931 in Watts, Oklahoma to the late A.K. McCoy and Mary Ethel (Taylor) McCoy. She was 79 years, 10 months and 28 days old. In 1949 Anna Lou graduated from Watts High School in Watts, Oklahoma with a total of nine classmates. December 21, 1950 Anna Lou married her high school classmate and sweetheart Bill Murray. Together they started their life in Mena Arkansas. In Mena she was a member of the 3 Musketeers which included Anna Lou, Joy Simpson, and Lois Quillin. They would enjoy taking their children swimming everyday in the summer months. They moved to Waldron in 1966. She was a fan of Country & Western music which lead to her hobby of dancing. The Waltz being her favorite. She Waltzed probably a thousand miles with Bill. Anna's favorite song was "The Storm Never Last". Anna retired from Tyson Foods after 30 years as Hatchery secretary. She was a proud card carrying member of the "Cherokee Nation". Anna was also a member of the Board of Directors for the Senior Citizens Center in Waldron. She was also a member of the Evening Shade Baptist Church and was a life long Christian. Most of all she lived her life to care for and love Bill and Johnny. Those left to cherish the memory of Anna Lou are her husband of 60 years, Bill of the home, one son, Johnny and wife Sandy of Waldron, one sister Sharon Bales of Oloogha, Oklahoma. She also leaves to cherish her memory one niece, Maryann

Stanley and husband Rick of Oloogha, Oklahoma, one step grandson Matt Taff of Waldron, one step-granddaughter, Casie Akins and husband Tyson of Waldron, and one great granddaughter, Daisy Akins of Waldron as well as many other family members and friends. Anna Lou's life celebration service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, October 27, 2011 at the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home Chapel in Waldron, Arkansas with Rev. Charles Whedbee officiating. Interment will follow in the Square Rock Cemetery near Waldron, Arkansas. Arrangements are being entrusted to the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home & Crematory in Waldron, Arkansas Anna Lou's pallbearers will be Bill Hunt, Dale Kopf, Roger Sparks, Glen Dale Sparks, Fritz Moralis, and Bob Shores. Her honorary pallbearers will be James Richmond, Herman Holleman, and Jay Kenner. Anna Lou's visitation will be Wednesday, October 26, 2011 from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home in Waldron, Arkansas.

Tribute Wall

MB

“ *Bill, there was not a sweeter or nicer woman in the country than Anna Lou. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Mary Byford - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ *I was sorry to hear of Anna Lou's passing. I worked with her for years at Tyson and thought the world of her. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this sad time.*

Cathy - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Murray family.*

Jason and Julie Moorman - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Anna Lou was the warmist, most friendly person Joe and I had contact with when we first moved to Waldron. I cherish the memories of those times. She was a very special lady. You are in my prayers.*

Mary Mckinley - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *sorry to read of the death of anna lou. bill, we will be praying for your*

joyce woodard griffin - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Anna Lou was such a sweet, kind lady. We are praying that God will ease your sadness.

Paul and Barbara Hillier - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ We heard the bad news late, but you certainly do have our prayers & deepest sympathy during these trying times in your lives.

Hershal & Atha Sims - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ It was truly my privilege to become acquainted with Anna Lou during the 1980s while she attended Square Rock Methodist Church during the four years I served as pastor. She was truly an humble servant of the Master. God bless you.

Keith Holleman - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Bill, Johnny & Sandy... so sorry to hear about your loss. Anna Lou was a very sweet lady. I enjoyed all the years I worked in purchasing at Tyson and got to work with Anna Lou & Johnny both on a daily basis. I know she will be missed. We will be praying that God will give the family the Peace and Comfort that only He can give.

Matt & Dyiana Kane - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ Prayers for the family during this sad time. May God comfort and give you the Peace you need in the days and months ahead.

Winifred (Windy) Bard - October 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ *Bill, Johnny, Sandy, and the rest of the family will be in my prayers. Anna Lou will be greatly missed.*

Thurston Tinder - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ *Bill, Johnny and Sandy...
My thoughts are with you at this sad time. What a lovely lady, Anna Lou was and I will miss her..but we know she is with the angels.*

Virginia Simpson - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *Anna Lou was a very special, sweet lady, and will be remembered fondly. You are all in my prayers.*

Teresa Houston Culpepper - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *Anna Lou was a dear friend to everyone she met,I worked with her for years at the Hatchery,I will miss seeing her at the dances,she will surely be missed.*

Bill Luttrell - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Anna Lou's passing. She was such a sweet lady and will certainly be missed. Thinking of you all at this time.*

Ann Bingham - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ *She is remebered by the love of my family. Daisy will always love and miss you. Thanks for all the tea parts and being a Great-Grandmother to Daisy. In loving memory always.*

Casie - October 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ *Sorry to learn of Anna,s passing. She was a friend to everyone she came in contact with and always had words to brighten their day. May God Bless each of you during this time of sorrow is our prayer.*

Roy & Carolyn Killion - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ *Bill, Johnny, Sandy and Family, Anna was such a lady. We got to know her as we were Tyson growers. We loved her so much. She always had a smile in her voice and on her face. If I was upset she would say now now Miss Rhonda, It can't be that bad, and we would be laughing in a minute. She always talked about her boys Bill and Johnny and you could just see the pride in her eyes. I teased her and said well you can take part of the credit for Johnny but Bill just came that way and she would say, well I helped him along the way. She is pain free now. We will all miss her greatly. May God Bless All Who loves Anna.
Love, Keith and Rhonda*

keith & Rhonda Piles - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM