



Gretta Sue (Hess) Snyder

August 11, 1937 - April 2, 2015

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Gretta Sue Hess Snyder, 77, of Bartlesville, OK, ended her earthly journey on Thursday, April 2, 2015.

Gretta was born August 11, 1937, in Bartlesville, OK, the daughter of Joe Hess and Mildred Jolley Hess. She had two younger brothers, Jody and Jimmy. She was a member of the Bartlesville College High School Class of 1955. She went on to attend college at Oklahoma A & M. In 1956, her daughter, Debra was born, later followed by two sons, Don and Derek. She went to work for Phillips Petroleum Company in 1970, in the marketing department. It was there that she met the love of her life, Cecil, and the two were married on June 4, 1971, in Bartlesville. With this union, she gained two more children, Tamra and Troy. She found great joy participating in the Philtones Choral Group where she was able to travel and perform in shows and musicals, until her retirement in 1986. She continued her love for singing for many years with the First Wesleyan Choir. Her number one passion in life was her love for her lord and savior, Jesus Christ. This was followed by a deep love for animals, especially her kitties. Gretta also enjoyed cooking excellent meals for her family, which included an annual Christmas cookie baking and decorating party. She was fond of swimming, water aerobics, spending time with friends, and participating in bible study groups. In her later

years, she was a humble caregiver for several of her elderly family members.

Gretta is survived by her husband, Cecil Snyder, of the home; brother Jimmy Hess and wife Linda, of Bartlesville, OK; daughter Debra Statham Patrick and husband Tom, of Coweta, OK; son Don Statham and wife Henrietta, of East Meredith, NY; son Derek Statham and wife Marty, of Valencia, CA; step-daughter Tamra Snyder Rogers and husband Rusty, of Ochelata, OK; step-son Troy Snyder and wife Carolyn, of Keller, TX; eight grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, one nephew, three nieces, and her precious kitty, Sweetie.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Jody.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 8, 2015, at First Wesleyan Church of Bartlesville, OK, at 1:30 PM, under the officiating of Pastor Joe Colaw. Interment will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Bartlesville. Please send memorial contributions to the Washington County SPCA, 16620 State Hwy 123, Bartlesville, OK 74006; (918)336-1577; or www.wcspca.org.

The family would like to extend special thanks to the nurses and staff of Jane Phillips Medical Center, The Journey Home, and Stumpff Funeral Home for their kindness and compassion.

Friends who wish may sign the online guest book and leave condolences at www.stumpff.org.

Tribute Wall

IS

“ Cecil, we are sorry to hear of your loss of Gretta. We are going to Vinita tomorrow for Hulon's only living aunt to celebrate her 97th birthday. We regret that we cannot attend Gretta's service. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you. Blessings, Irene and Hulon

Irene and Hulon Simmons - April 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ We were so sorry for your loss, but know Greta is in a wonderful place now and probably smiling down on her family. We pray your sorrow turns to smiles and wonderful memories that give you comfort in the days ahead. Greta will be missed. All our love and prayers. Phil & Betty

Phillip & Betty Beall - April 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Don & family, I am sorry to hear about your mother's passing. She was a lovely woman. My family are thinking of you all.

Marilyn Luther - April 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ She will be greatly missed by our family. She was a wonderful friend to my parents!!

Cheryl Gillette - April 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *Cecil and Family*

We are so sorry for your loss and our thoughts and prayers are with you. We have so many special memories of Gretta and know she is now whole and with her maker.

Susie Sands - April 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *Cecil, so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Don & Linda Thomas - April 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM