



Geraldine "Jerri" Patricia Ricks

August 10, 1940 - November 17, 2024

Geraldine P. "Jerri" Ricks was born on August 10, 1940 to Cecil and Grace (Akin) Fennell in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma. She passed away on Sunday, November 17, 2024 in Sulphur, Oklahoma at the age of 84 years, 3 months and 7 days. Jerri grew up in Oklahoma City, graduating from Capitol Hill High School. First and foremost, Jerri was a believer, having accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age. She served the Lord faithfully throughout her life. She enjoyed many summers at Falls Creek as a youth and took great pride in winning many "sword drill" contests throughout her teenage years. Ron and Jerri met on a blind date while living in Oklahoma City. They just knew immediately that they were made for each other and were married six weeks after that first date! On November 26, they would have been married for 55 years. After moving to the Sulphur area, Jerri worked at the Oklahoma School for the Deaf until her retirement. Jerri's hobbies included reading, traveling and making the best candy and deviled eggs you've ever eaten. She loved decorating for Christmas! Christmas Eves were "magical" at their house. The best way to describe it would probably be "joyful chaos"! Presents, Christmas boxes, wrapping paper and lots of very excited kiddos covered the living room floor and delicious food covered all the tables! She also loved making Easter a very fun and special time! She would collect loose change all year long to put in the eggs for the big "hunt" and she would not rest until the last penny in the last egg was found. Such fun times and memories! She will be missed by her family every single day, but especially on holidays, which

she did so well.

Jerri is survived by her husband, Ronald Ricks; children: Rhonda Bilbrey; Terri Krag; James Morris Ricks and wife Amanda. One brother: Melvin J. Fennell; 8 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Pauline Morgan.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at the Cornerstone Methodist Church with Rev. Jim Shepherd officiating.

DeArman Funeral Home in Sulphur is in charge of arrangements.