



Leona Mae Holland

January 16, 1915 - May 19, 2014

Leona Mae Holland passed away on May 19, 2014 in Mason, Ohio, at the age of 99.

Leona was born in Ada, Oklahoma January 16, 1915 to William and Lena Willis. The family moved to Wellston, Oklahoma where she first attended school. Later, she graduated from high school at Vanoss and attended East Central College at Ada and The University of Oklahoma in Norman. She taught in grade school at Vanoss and Beggs and high school speech and English at Pauls Valley and Wynnewood. She was also high school librarian at both schools. She was honored as Teacher of the Year in Wynnewood and later received the Freedom Foundation Award.

Married to Carl Holland in 1945, the couple had one daughter, Nancy. Leona was a member of the Methodist Church since childhood and of the Wynnewood United Methodist Church for 50+ years.

In 2003, she relocated to Cincinnati, Ohio, to be near her daughter and grandchildren. She was a resident of Mason Christian Village from October, 2004 until her death. During her time in Cincinnati, Leona loved being part of her grandchildren and later great-grandchildren's activities and numerous family celebrations. She was also an active participant in Mason Christian Village's activities and church services. But she never lost her pride in being an 'Okie' and always stood during the playing of "Oklahoma".

Leona was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Carl, and her son-in-law, Mark Lewis. She is survived by daughter Nancy, grandson Christopher Lewis (Laura), granddaughter Julie Duncan (Charlie) and three great-grandchildren, Wesley Lewis, Alexandra Lewis and Claire Duncan.

Services will be held on Saturday May 24, 2014 at 10:00 AM at the Wynnewood United Methodist Church with burial following at Oaklawn Cemetery in Wynnewood. Services are under the direction of DeArman's Wynnewood Funeral Home. Please send online condolences to www.dearmanfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Wynnewood United Methodist Church, 204 S. Robberson, Wynnewood, OK 73098.

Tribute Wall



“ *Leona Mae Holland*

October 05, 2023 at 07:47 PM



“ *Nancy, your mother was very special. I know you will miss her, but you will have wonderful memories of both of your parents. Gods blessings to you and your family.*

*Carol Martin Burnett
Cbwb@swbell.net*

carol martin burnett - May 24, 2014 at 09:47 PM



“ *Mrs. Holland was such A good caring teacher. I have such fond memories of her and really didn't realize what A treasure she was till I was older. I know she is at peace and with the Lord now.*
Linda K. Carnes

Linda Carnes - May 24, 2014 at 10:35 AM



“ *My Dad had Mrs. Holland as a Speech teacher. He said she was a great lady. I remember her from church at the Wynnewood Methodist Church. She always had a smile. Sending prayers to the family,*
Jim & Dolores Litchfield Jason & Cynthia Tacker

Cynthia Tacker - May 23, 2014 at 09:52 AM

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“ Mrs. Holland was definitely one of the finest ladies and most sincere educators that it was my privilege to know. She was my sophomore English teacher, my senior Speech teacher and most importantly, my friend for many years. (Nancy Holland was one of my favorites also.) I am so sad to hear of the passing of Mrs. Hollnd but please rest assured that she definitely has a special place in heaven. We are all better people for having known Leona Holland.

With my kindest regards,

Bill Etheredge (bill.etheredge.1948@gmail.com)

Bill Etheredge - May 22, 2014 at 04:44 PM



“ Mrs. Holland was a blessing to me, a new teacher at Wynnewood High . I never saw her without a smile!

Mary Tooley Howlett

Mary Howlett - May 21, 2014 at 08:31 PM

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“ Mrs Holland was my HS english teacher, speech teacher, and Student Council sponsor..A fine woman and role model...It is interesting the older I became, the more we thought alike and the better I understood her value system. She was a friend long after my WHS days.....

Stephen Dale - May 21, 2014 at 04:15 PM