



Elva "Ann" Nicely, resident of Shawnee, passed away on Wednesday, September 3, 2025. She was 92 years old. Ann was born on May 25, 1933 in Sweet Water, Oklahoma to her parents, Tommy and Maggie Cole.

Ann married Merel E. "Buddy" Nicely on April 23, 1953 in Van Buren, Arkansas. The couple lived in Shawnee before moving to Ark City, Kansas where Buddy worked for the automotive industry for 37 years and Ann worked at a drug store. The pair returned to Shawnee following Buddy's retirement.

Ann was known for her sense of style, which she developed while working at JCPenney. She had a flair for fashion and was always dressed to the nines with her hair done, makeup on, looking gorgeous. She was a very generous and kind soul with a sharp sense of humor and a contagious laugh.

As a faithful member of Shawnee Baptist Church, Ann believed in spreading the gospel message. Her faith drove her to gather with her church family and hand out gospel invitations, encouraging others to find their way to God.

Ann was preceded in death by her parents, Tommy and Maggie Cole and her husband, Buddy Nicely.

Survivors include her son, Jeff Nicely, daughter, Karen Corey, grandchildren, Na-Tosha Exley Flick, Keela Dibler, Amber Barger, Christopher Corey, Taylor Nicely, and Sable Nicely, as well as her church family.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Ann's honor to the Shawnee Baptist Missions.

Ann was great company and will be missed by those who knew and loved her.

In Loving Memory Of



Ann Nicely



May 25, 1933



September 3, 2025

Hymn of Heaven

*How I long to breathe the air of Heaven
Where pain is gone and mercy fills the streets
To look upon the One who bled to save me
And walk with Him for all eternity
There will be a day when all will bow before Him
There will be a day when death will be no more
Standing face to face with
He who died and rose again
Holy, Holy is the Lord*



Date of Birth

*May 25, 1933
Sweet Water, Oklahoma*

Entered Into Rest

*September 3, 2025
Shawnee, Oklahoma*

Funeral Ceremony

*Tuesday, September 9, 2025
Ten Thirty in the Morning
Shawnee Baptist Church
Shawnee, Oklahoma*

Officiant

Pastor Rick MacQueen

Final Resting Place

*Hopewell Cemetery
Bethel Acres, Oklahoma*

