

Therefore my heart is glad
and my tongue rejoices;
my body also will rest secure,
because you will not abandon me
to the realm of the dead,
nor will you let your
faithful one see decay.
You make known to me
the path of life;
you will fill me with joy
in your presence,
with eternal pleasures
at your right hand.

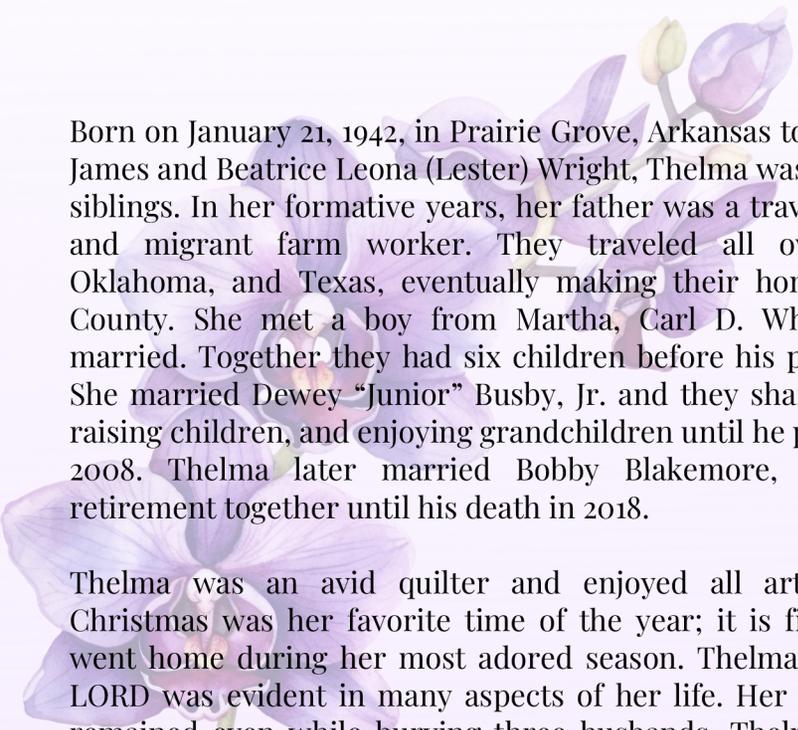
Psalm 16:9-11

In Loving Memory



*Thelma Mae
Busby Blakemore*

1942 ~ 2024



Born on January 21, 1942, in Prairie Grove, Arkansas to Rev. Leonard James and Beatrice Leona (Lester) Wright, Thelma was one of eleven siblings. In her formative years, her father was a traveling minister and migrant farm worker. They traveled all over Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas, eventually making their home in Jackson County. She met a boy from Martha, Carl D. White, and they married. Together they had six children before his passing in 1971. She married Dewey “Junior” Busby, Jr. and they shared their love, raising children, and enjoying grandchildren until he passed away in 2008. Thelma later married Bobby Blakemore, sharing their retirement together until his death in 2018.

Thelma was an avid quilter and enjoyed all arts and crafts. Christmas was her favorite time of the year; it is fitting that she went home during her most adored season. Thelma’s love for the LORD was evident in many aspects of her life. Her steadfast faith remained even while burying three husbands. Thelma was a true servant and often opened her home to others. She had a tender heart for the homeless, always spreading the love of Jesus to others with kindness and sharing whatever she had. She enjoyed studying her bible and attending church at Trinity Holiness east of Blair. Thelma adored her family and time spent with any of them was treasured.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Carl White, Junior Busby, and Bobby Blakemore; parents, Leonard and Beatrice; and siblings, Raymond Wright, Joe Wright, Truman Wright, Velma Faye Tidmore, Mary Leona Stayton, Lillie Belle Baker, and Minnie Ruth Grinder.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Carl James White, Roger Dale White, Mary Beth Rollinson, Thelma Marie Peters, Patricia Ann Shearer, and Diania Kay Allen; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great great-grandchildren; siblings, Freddie Wright, Shirley Alvord, and Linda Lou Coppage; niece and caretaker, Carolyn DeVault; and a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, and special friends.

In Loving Memory of

Thelma Mae Blakemore

Entered into Life
January 21, 1942
Prairie Grove, Arkansas

Entered into Rest
December 29, 2024
Altus, Oklahoma

Funeral Service

11:00 AM, Wednesday, January 8, 2025
Kincannon Memorial Chapel
Altus, Oklahoma

Officiating

Brother Joe Poulin

Interment

Blair Cemetery
Blair, Oklahoma

Pallbearers

Justin White ~ Tony Scott
Braeden Jermain ~ Dylan “Dillard” Jermain
Greg Lehrman ~ Victor Billarrial
Randy Tutten ~ Ray Dickerson

