



Hazel Ruth Kulp

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Hazel Kulp Obituary

Services to honor and remember the life of Hazel Ruth Kulp will be held Friday, January 24th, 2020, at 1:00 PM at RiverCrest Chapel and Event Center. The family will receive friends Thursday, January 23rd from 6-8:00 PM also at RiverCrest. Hazel passed away Sunday, January 19th, 2020, in Owasso, at the age of 95.

Hazel was born November 15, 1924, in Peoria, Oklahoma, the daughter of Sam and Alma (Collins) Hatley. Total, the Hatley's would have 11 children and Hazel was right in the middle of the passel. This large family farmed just outside the Stillwell community. It was in that same community where Hazel attended and graduated from school.

Not necessarily looking for love, Hazel happened to be at the right place at the right time. One of her sisters had been set up to meet a young man from Bixby. This meeting was to occur at the family homestead. Her sister was to walk around the house and the young man would be standing there. Well, Hazel beat her to the punch! It must have been love at first sight when she locked eyes with Melferd Kulp.

Melferd would soon join the U.S. Army and the two would pen love letters overseas and over the course the next four-and-a-half years. Upon his return home, this couple would marry, on October 6, 1945, in a Pittsburg, Kansas wedding ceremony. The Kulp's enjoyed 65 years of marriage before Melferd's passing in May of 2011.

In her years just outside of high school, Hazel worked in an overall factory in Miami, OK. Once married, she was a devout homemaker taking wonderful care of her husband, children, and the entire family. When she wasn't in the kitchen cooking or keeping up the house, Hazel could be found quilting, reading, writing, working in her garden, or serving through her church.



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Hazel and Melferd were charter members of Riverview Baptist Church and later joined Leonard Baptist Church. Through the years, Hazel faithfully volunteered with Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, and the Women's Missionary Union.

Described as: firm, yet loving and generous, Hazel was a selfless woman who was always there for others. Constantly taking care of those around her, she was a true light who displayed the love of Jesus to anyone she encountered.

This loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, relative, and friend will be deeply missed by those who knew and loved her. Surviving family members include her children: Sam Kulp and wife Sue, Donald Eugene Kulp and wife, Loretta, Peter Ray Kulp and wife, Sue, Roy Keith Kulp and wife, Jill and Sherrie Kay Guthrie; 10 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; 15 great-great-grandchildren; her sisters: Jessie Hatley Riden and Hallie Lackey; her brother, Jim Hatley; and a host of extended family and friends that loved her dearly.

Hazel was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, six sisters, and a brother.

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April 22 at 7:44 AM



Danna Quinn posted:

I remember Mrs. Kulp from Riverview Baptist Church when I was very young I'm now 60. Never ever forgot her. Blessings to the family and heaven rejoices!

February 8 at 5:57 AM



Becky Johnson Andrews posted:

Pete and family, so sorry for the loss of your precious mother. She was a very amazing woman and such an incredible christian. Blessings...Becky "Johnson" Andrews

January 22 at 12:34 PM



Helen Christian posted:

The Kulp family was dearly loved by the Mize family. When I realized that Hazel was the last of all of the Kulp brothers & sisters...It really hurts. Reading her obit I realized that I was two years old when they married. No wonder they have been such a part of my life. After the loss of my sister I made me a Stilwell years album. It was a special way of healing for the loss of Gladys & Jack. My sympathy goes out to Hazel's sons Sam, Don, & Pete plus her two extras, Roy & Sherri. Sherri was her dearly loved daughter. I send prayers for this hard part of your lives. Hazel was a very special Christian lady who was always willing to help others. She was adored.

January 22 at 10:25 AM



Nancy Julia Norick posted:

Hazel taught me from her heart and her smile. Her unconditional love flowed to all who were in her presence. I am honored to have known her. .

January 21 at 4:17 PM



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DC

Deallyn And Lori (Madsen) Christensen posted:

Pete,Sue, and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers. May God comfort you in this time of sorrow.

January 21 at 2:42 PM

GS

Gayla Seaton posted:

She was the most precious an loving person...always had a smile an you knew she loved the Lord. Always had a kind words. She was so special.

January 21 at 2:36 PM

SB

Shahna Brooks Baugus posted:

Hazel was like a second mom to me. She was always teaching me to be a "little lady". Many times we dressed up and had tea parties. I learned many things about being a devoted wife and mother from her. Even though we lost touch in later years I always made time for her when I returned to Bixby. I passed on many things learned from her to my own daughter. She will be missed but never forgotten.
Shahna Brooks Baugus

January 21 at 11:18 AM

MP

Marcella Pense posted:

Hazel, what a precious soul she was. She loved the Lord, and she loved her family with all her heart. She could always find something to tell me, to compliment me, which always made me feel better than I did before going to see her. What a grand time she is having in heaven with Jesus, and so many family members. She was part of that Greatest Generation....oh if only people in great numbers today, were half as outstanding as those men and women were! Our world wouldn't be nearly as messed up as it is.Sam, Don, Pete, Roy and Sherrie and families, you were blessed to have her as your Mother, Grandmother and Mother-In-Law. We all know without a doubt that she was prepared, and ready to go to her heavenly home. But still, it is hard; it is a process. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.Love,Marcella & Elmer Pense

January 20 at 5:54 PM



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