



Blanche Tate

September 4, 1924 - July 9, 2023

Bernice Blanche Tate was born in Rockbridge, Missouri September 4, 1924 to James Everett Tate and Jesse Edna (Bell) Tate. She passed July 9, 2023 in Grove, Oklahoma. Blanche was raised in the Bryant Creek area and attended a one room school for grades 1 through 8, graduating from Ava High School in 1943. She attended college at Southwest Baptist College Bolivar, Missouri following she taught grades 1 – 8 at Turkey Flat School, Rockbridge Missouri and rode a horse to get to school. Mom's favorite story was about a favorite student in the first grade (Jerry Pool) he was her best friends son and she always teased that the reason he had done so well was she was his teacher. Mom witnessed so much in her almost 99 years on this planet from World War 2, a man landing on the moon, changes in transportation from riding a horse to planes breaking the sound barrier. These life changing events were nothing to compare to her raising her children and welcoming her grand children into this world and watching them grow. Blanche was nicknamed "Ma" by her grandchildren and soon everyone who knew her called her by that name. She was famous for her chocolate cake, home made donuts and fried chicken.

Blanche is preceded in death by her parents, four brothers Darrell, Amos, Arlin and Thurman; three sisters Wilma Wilson, Ida Betzold and Edgie Coble. A daughter Connie and son-in-law Montie Broome. She is survived by her children Logan (Jennifer) Alsup, Greg (Gail) Alsup, Carol Broome, Enola Gay Bennett, Chad (Tracy) Adams. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and 8 great great grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews. Mom was a strong woman, she never aged and left her children with the legacy to work hard and stay strong. We love you Mom. Thank you for loving us.

Services will be graveside at the Blanche Cemetery, Rock Ridge, MO, July 15, 2023 at 11:00 A.M.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 15. 11:00 AM.

Blanche Cemetery