



Emma Josephine Jackson

March 2, 1923 - March 4, 2007

Our beloved Jo was born Emma Josephine Stanford on March 2, 1923 in Lindsay, OK. She grew up in both Oklahoma and Texas and worked for many years as a "nurse" both in Lindsay and in Oklahoma City. She was one of the first "nurses" hired at the new South Community Hospital in Oklahoma City.

On June 4, 1965 she married Tinsley L. Jackson (Jack) in Lindsay. The couple made their home together at 1133 SW 38th St. in Oklahoma City where Jo lived until her health required her to give up her home to seek twenty-four hour care at an Oklahoma City nursing center.

At some point during their marriage, Jack and Jo brought Jo's widowed mother, Golda Stanford, from Lindsay to live with and be cared for by them. Jack built Golda a very nice efficiency apartment adjacent to the workshop behind their home. While working in his shop on October 14, 1984 Jack suffered a sudden and fatal heart attack leaving Jo, now a widow herself, to care for her elderly widowed mother alone. Here Jo showed us all what she was made of. With the help of hospice professionals she somehow managed to provide her mother with excellent care and unflinching and undivided attention until her mother passed away on June 19, 1997.

After a few years of grieving and getting used to being alone, Jo adopted her beloved Mitzy, a kitten she found at a local animal shelter. For several years

Jo and Mitzy kept each other company until the health of one and then the other failed. At Jo's request, Mitzy's cremated remains will be buried with Jo today.

Jo was a wonderful, loyal friend. She laughed easily and often. She loved to crack jokes and she loved to talk. (She said so herself). She loved to shop and, out of necessity, she developed a love affair with gadgets (remember the electric cat litter box and the robotic vacuum cleaner, not to mention the assorted can openers, etc). She loved Pizza Hut pizza (hamburger and bell pepper on the thin crust) and she loved coconut cream pie from Dodson's cafeteria. She always insisted on paying her way and, to her credit, faced the final chapter of her life bravely with her characteristic wit and their wisdom to plan her affairs and keep them in order.

Jo had both the good fortune and the misfortune of out-living most of her friends and family. May she now rest in peace in the comfort of God's love and enjoy her reunion with her many loved ones who have gone before.

Graveside Services will be on Saturday, March 10, 2007, at 4:00 p.m. at the Greenhill Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of B G. Boydston Funeral Home. Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com.