



Nelda Nadine Stephens

May 5, 1927 - February 11, 2012

Nelda Nadine Stephens, 84, passed from this life on Saturday, February 11, 2012 at Providence Marianwood nursing home in Issaquah, Washington. Nelda was born May 5, 1927 in Winnfield, Louisiana to Ocie Warner and Audie (Waller) Warner.

Nelda was raised in Winnfield, and graduated from high school and an accounting program there. She married Robert Terrell Stephens of Lindsay, Oklahoma on August 26, 1946 in Winnfield. Nelda and Terrell were residents of Lindsay, Oklahoma until Terrell's passing 50 years later. Nelda remained in Lindsay until she moved in 2003 to the Providence Point retirement community in Issaquah, Washington to be near her son. In 2010 Nelda moved nearby to the Providence Marianwood nursing home following an illness.

Nelda was a bookkeeper over the years for several merchants in Lindsay. She was a voter registrar for Garvin County and a substitute teacher in the Lindsay schools. Nelda and Terrell were active members of the Lindsay United Methodist Church. Their greatest pleasures were helping children in school and in church activities. Nelda was a 50-Year Member of the Order of the Eastern Star and past Worthy Matron.

Nelda is survived by her son, Robert Warner Stephens and daughter-in-law Judith Ann Stephens of Issaquah, Washington, one brother Arthur (Sonny)

Warner of Winnfield, Louisiana, and one sister Billie Baum of Columbia, Louisiana.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Robert Terrell Stephens, both of her parents Ocie Warner and Audie (Waller) Warner, two brothers Olian Warner and Morgan Warner, and one sister Elaine DeBusk.

Funeral services in Lindsay, Oklahoma will be held at two o'clock p.m. on Monday, February 20, 2012 at the United Methodist Church, located at 114 W. Chickasaw Street, with Rev. Ron King officiating. Interment will follow at Green Hill Cemetery in Lindsay. The Lindsay services are under the direction of B.G. Boydston Funeral Home of Lindsay, Oklahoma. Condolences for the family may be made online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ I always loved having Mrs. Stephens as a substitute teacher in High School. She was always nice and always cracked jokes with us. We will miss her dearly.

Holly Belknap - February 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ I loved having Mrs. Stephens as a substitute teacher. She was always so nice.

Susan Mowdy Anderson - February 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Nelda,

You were such a huge part of my childhood. I'll never forget us teasing one another back and forth over the counter at the Lindsay Library when my mom (Reta) was working. You were always such a joy and delight to talk to and the world has lost a wonderful woman. I'm happy that the last time I saw you, you were so very happy and so was I, you were meeting my oldest daughter for the first time! Hard to believe it has been almost 12 years. I'm sorry I never got to introduce you to my younger 2 girls, and sorry we never got to interact much as adults. I still think I'm pretty funny ;) And I know you were til the end. Rest in peace my sweet friend. My prayers go out to your family, especially your son. God bless you all!

Sara Kelly - February 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Aunt Nelda, I loved you dearly. I have many memories of you especially the summer you came and stayed with us. You could make me laugh at anything. Bob, my heart is with you and Judy may you continue to feel strengthened and comforted by the support and love from those around you. I wish I could be there with you now and during the next few days. Always remember that we love you. Karen Moseley

Karen Moseley - February 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM