



Mrs. Oleta Blair

January 5, 1950 - December 13, 2020

Oleta Blair was born January 5, 1950 in Buckner, Lafayette County, Arkansas, to the union of Minden Steward, and Amanda “Mandy-Lee” Steward. She was the second of eight children.

Oleta graduated from Ellis High School of Stamps, AR, where she was a basketball player.

She joined St. John Baptist Church at an early age. Later she moved her membership to County Line Baptist Church of Buckner, AR. She later relocated to Garland, AR to Lanesport Baptist Church where she was a deaconess and choir member. After relocating to Texarkana, she joined Lonoke Baptist Church where she was a deaconess, mission member, and choir member.

She was a loving, family-oriented, patient, compassionate, and God-Fearing. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, and never met a stranger. She was an avid cook who showed love and compassion through her love of cooking. She provided childcare and support to numerous family members and friends alike.

She was employed by A-Tex (Alan White) Manufacturing Co. of Stamps, AR, Leisure Lodge Nursing Home of Texarkana, TX, and Picoma Steel Mill of

Texarkana, TX.

On February 7, 1976, she married Lee Andrew "Buddy" Blair of Garland, AR. This union grew from two children to four.

She departed this life on December 13, 2020 at Christus St. Michael Rehabilitation Hospital of Texarkana, TX.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son, Soronto Lee Blair, a brother, Anthony Steward, and a sister, Gwendolyn Steward.

She leaves her legacy of love and strength with: Sons, Kevin Steward of Dallas, TX, Derrick Blair of Texarkana, AR; Daughter, LaTonya Steward of College Station, TX; Grandchildren, Azlond Steward, Kellen Steward, Alexandria Hopkins, and Tremayne Blair; Brothers, Larry (Sandra) Steward of Benton Harbour, MI, Rodney Steward of Stamps, AR, Gerald (Linda) Steward, Michael Steward both of Muskegon, MI, Byron (Laura) Steward of Shreveport, LA; Brothers In Love, Johnny (Rosie) Blair, Robert (Johnnie) Blair, Michael (Barbara) Blair all of Texarkana, AR; Sisters In Love, Mary Elizabeth (Freddie) Martin of Texarkana, TX, Annie Durr of Little Rock, AR, Betty Carol (Booker T) Moss, Cynthia (Don) Daniels both of Texarkana, AR; a special niece, Torri Weatherspoon and a host of other beloved nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Graveside Celebration of Life services will be held Monday, December 21st, 2020, at Wynn Cemetery in Garland, Arkansas at 12 noon. Rev. Arthur Hill eulogist. Service will be Live Streamed: <https://www.facebook.com/rlreedfuneralhome> & <https://www.facebook.com/mrmusic1084>

Visitation will be Sunday, December 20th, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, “Everyone Is Required To Wear A Mask While Attending The Services And During Visitation Hours”. This ensures safety for you and others.

Previous Events

Graveside service

DEC 21. 12:00 PM (CT)

Wynn Cemetery
Garland, AR

Tribute Wall

PS

“ To the Steward you all have my deepest sympathy & my Condolences! 💕💕💕💕💕💕💕



Pamela Shaw - January 01, 2021 at 07:05 AM

HF

“ Hazel, Lee, Evante Smith Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Hazel, Lee, Evante Smith Family - December 22, 2020 at 05:24 PM

MK

“ Mary Ann Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Mary Ann Kelley - December 21, 2020 at 01:13 PM



“ Shawn Booker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Shawn Booker - December 21, 2020 at 12:49 PM

HD

“ Prayers to the Stuart-Blair family. Love you guys.

Harry and Elquita Dickens

Harry Dickens - December 20, 2020 at 03:34 PM

GS

“ Betty and I loved singing with Oleta. She reminded us that Down Through the Years the Lord has Been Good. Keep the faith!

Garland and Betty

Garland Yarber, Sr. - December 20, 2020 at 03:17 PM



HD

"Down through the Year" Thank you Sis. Blair!

Harry Dickens - December 20, 2020 at 03:32 PM

CT

“ To the Blair Family: At a time when words are hard to find, may the God of comfort bring you the peace that passes all understanding and the assurance of His loving presence during this time. With Heartfelt Prayers And Sympathy
Carolyn Townsend

carolyn H townsend - December 19, 2020 at 10:13 PM

MP

“ Mary S. Pickings lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Mary S. Pickings - December 19, 2020 at 07:06 PM

VS

“ Rest in Love Cousin💙



Vontisha Steward-Murphy - December 19, 2020 at 10:20 AM

DW

“ *Family of Sister Oleta Blair: In the name of Jesus, the name above every name I Dr. Margarett Woodard send my deepest heartfelt condolences. I Remember Mrs. Oleta Blair, a sister that loved the Lord Jesus, her family, church family and she expressed her testimony of trust in Him when I heard her singing in the Lonoke Choir. We will miss her. On November 27, 28, and 29th we prayed for strength and that the presence of the Lord would be with her on that Monday. God is gracious & full of compassion. May the Lord give you supernatural overcoming grace for the rest of your journey. I am praying for peace comfort & strength, Isa. 41:10.*



Dr. Margarett Woodard - December 17, 2020 at 08:56 PM

KS

Thank You so much

Kevin Steward - December 18, 2020 at 09:34 AM

SC

May God Bless the Family and give the Family the Strength, in such a time of losing a Loved one. Our Deepest Sympathy from the Coulter Family. She was an Awesome lady and could sang , as I remember, The Stewart quartet, Love 💕 you Olethia, May you Rest In Peace.

Sharon Wesley Coulter - December 19, 2020 at 08:21 AM

LS

To Kevin, Derek & Tonya, May God comfort and give you the strength you need to get through this very difficult time in the loss of your mother. Oleta was a very gentle, kind, caring and sweet lady. She will greatly be missed.

Laura Steward - December 20, 2020 at 08:00 AM

MJ

“ *Miller John sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*



Miller John - December 17, 2020 at 11:31 AM

KS

“ *Love you mama*



Kevin Steward - December 17, 2020 at 07:37 AM

SM

“ *Sonia McCutchen lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*



Sonia McCutchen - December 16, 2020 at 07:27 PM

WW

“ Wendy Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Wendy Walker - December 16, 2020 at 05:34 PM

WW

My Thoughts and Prayers are with you Torri and Family during this difficult time.

Wendy Walker - December 16, 2020 at 05:36 PM

CC

“ Cynthia Carter sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Cynthia Carter - December 15, 2020 at 11:59 PM

MM

“ Melvin Madison lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Melvin Madison - December 15, 2020 at 08:01 PM

PW

“ *Paula White-Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*




Paula White-Smith - December 15, 2020 at 06:52 PM

ET

“ *Praying for strength and guidance for my family.*



Eloise Tyson - December 15, 2020 at 04:11 PM


Shanalyn
Hunter

“ *Shanalyn Hunter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*



Shanalyn Hunter - December 15, 2020 at 03:08 PM


Jennifer
White

“ *Jennifer White lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*



Jennifer White - December 14, 2020 at 09:27 PM

CF

“ *Cathy Revels McNeil & Family. sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*



Cathy Revels McNeil & Family. - December 14, 2020 at 08:27 PM

CH

“ *Creighton Hill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*



Creighton Hill - December 14, 2020 at 07:26 PM

PS

“ *Kevin ,you & entire Steward family has my deepest sympathy & my Condolences!! I will always love you all!!*



Pamela Shaw - December 14, 2020 at 05:58 PM

KS

Thank You Pam

Kevin Steward - December 17, 2020 at 07:38 AM

JW

“ *My Sincere Condolences to the Family and Friends in remembrance of Oleta. I pray that God's Love will comfort you in your hour of sadness and grief.*



James Wesley - December 14, 2020 at 04:22 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mrs. Oleta Blair.*



December 14, 2020 at 03:22 PM

DC

“ *Oleta, your strong and beautiful spirit will ever be with us. Love you cousin♥♥Rest now in God's presence and ♥*



Debra Conley - December 14, 2020 at 01:05 PM



“ *Sherry Marshall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*



Sherry Marshall - December 14, 2020 at 12:52 PM

LS

“ Prayers going up!! RIL Sweet lady!! Love u!!
❤️



LaCheryl Smith - December 14, 2020 at 11:41 AM

BW

“ Bridget Willis-Mathews lit a candle in memory
of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Bridget Willis-Mathews - December 14, 2020 at 10:33 AM

BW

Rest in Peace Auntie.

Bridget Willis-Mathews - December 14, 2020 at 10:34 AM

CT

“ Carol Tyson lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Oleta Blair



Carol Tyson - December 14, 2020 at 09:49 AM

CT

Rest in love my sweet cuz

Carol Tyson - December 14, 2020 at 09:50 AM

SS

“ *Rest in Peace Aunt Oleta.*



Shaundria Steward - December 14, 2020 at 07:50 AM

LS

“ *Rest in my beautiful mother!*



LaTonya Steward - December 14, 2020 at 12:54 AM

LS

Rest In Peace and love our beautiful mother.

LaTonya Steward - December 14, 2020 at 05:15 PM

 Arrielle Steward

“ *Arrielle Steward lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair*



Arrielle Steward - December 14, 2020 at 12:52 AM

AZ

“ Azlond lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Oleta Blair



Azlond - December 14, 2020 at 12:46 AM

BW

*Dearest Family,
May God bless and strengthen each one of you during your time of sorrow. Remember God does not put anymore on us than we can bear. He said he would never leave us, nor forsake us and just remember He will not. Be strong in the Lord.
Loves ya much!!!!
Bama Williams*

Bama Williams - December 15, 2020 at 06:32 PM

CS

MY BELOVED (GIRL) COUSIN, SEE YOU SOON.HEAVEN A PREPARED PLACE FOR A PREPARED PERSON. YOU WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY ALL, AMEN. JOB WELL DONE HEAR ON EARTH IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

REV. CHARLES E. STEWART AND FAMILY, DECEMBER 12-18-2020.

charles e stewart - December 18, 2020 at 08:39 AM