

Mary I. Oxford

Funeral services for Mary Irene Oxford, 89, will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 16, 1998, at Emmanuel Baptist Church conducted by the Rev. Donny Custar. Burial will be at Hillcrest Memorial Park.

Mrs. Oxford, daughter of the late Bud and Odie Ethridge, pioneer residents of Oklahoma, was born Feb. 4, 1909, at Centrahoma.

She moved to Ardmore in 1925 and graduated from Ardmore High School in 1927. She and Iley Oxford were married Sept. 27, 1928, and celebrated their 70th anniversary this year. She died Sunday, Dec. 13, 1998.

A lifelong member of Emmanuel Baptist Church, she was an employee of the J.C. Penney Company in Ardmore for many years. She was a charter member of A.A.R.P., and had been a member of the Ardmore Library Board, Altrusa Club and Mattie Bruce Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star. She was active in the P.T.A., serving as an officer for 12 years, where she made many friendships that lasted a lifetime.

Survivors include her husband, Iley, of the home; a son, Dr. Don Oxford and wife, Sandra, of Davis; grandsons, Mike and Brent Oxford; granddaughters, Tracy Drennan, Carol Edwards, Lyndi McCulloch, Donna Williams and Diane Long.; eight great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; and a great-great-granddaughter. She was preceded in death by a son, James Oxford, in 1966, and a daughter, Nelda, in 1997.

Serving as bearers will be Lloyd Bowers, Kenneth French, Bill Morgan, Ted Spurgeon, Boyd Howell and H.A. Hodges.

Memorials may be made to the building fund of Emmanuel Baptist Church. Services will be directed by Harvey-Douglas Funeral Home.