



Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence

January 14, 1949 - January 24, 2022

Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence, 73, of Sulphur, OK, passed away on January 24, 2022. Dink was born on January 14, 1949, to Bill and Glessie Pritchard in Bethany, OK. After Dink graduated from Bethany High School in 1967, Dink worked with Wal-Mart for many years as a Regional Manager over the Specialties Division. While she was living in Ardmore, Dink began working for Bluebonnet Feed store as a manager. At the time of her death, she helped a countless number of people find employment as a Rehab Counselor with My Employment Options. In 1966, Dink met and married Sterling Montgomery. They had a daughter named Christine Renee Taylor. In 1972, Dink married Junior Brannan in Wright City, OK. Dink and Junior went on to have three children, Michelle Lee Smythe, Andrea Jill Franklin and Matthew Shane Brannan. Dink (mom) was devoted to her family and children. She eventually moved to Ardmore, OK and while working at Bluebonnet Feed store, she met and soon married her true love, Michael Lawrence. Dink and Michael relocated to Sulphur, OK. There, they started a farm with goats, ducks, pigs and cows. Dink loved all the little farm babies and bragged of them often. Dink was preceded in death by her father, William Pritchard and mother, Glessie May Pritchard; her siblings, Estil Barton Boling, Maxine Barton Lynch, Frances Barton Smith, Jimmie Barton, Freddie Barton, Leota (Dodie) Hamman, Nita Barton Davidson, Carl Pritchard, Lloyd Pritchard, Stan Pritchard, Don Pritchard, James Pritchard; and infants, Leon and Rosie Irene. She is survived by her husband, Michael Lawrence; sons, Michael Wayne Lawrence

and her daughter-in-law, Tammy Lawrence, both from Sulphur, OK, Shane Brannan and daughter-in-law, Michelle Brannan, both from Wright City, OK; daughters, Christie Taylor and her son-in-law, Kevin Taylor, both from Wynnewood, OK, Michelle Smythe and son-in-law, Joe Smythe, both from Fort Gibson, OK, Jill Franklin from Haslet, TX and Brandie Lawrence from Sulphur, OK; brother-in-law, Scott Lawrence and wife Monica; niece, Angie Lawrence; Dink had many grandchildren, Kasside Phillips, Scott Smythe, Jonah Bybee, Konnor Franklin, Trey Brannan, Brian Smythe, Abbie Franklin, Jericho Taylor, Keelan Taylor, Dillon Putnam, Asher Lawrence, Anna Lawrence, Maddie Lawrence, Baily Lawrence, Amanda Corwin and AJ Corwin. Viewing for Ethel Mae 'Dink' Lawrence will be Friday, January 28, 2022, from 10:00AM-12:30PM at Bill Merritt Funeral Home in Bethany, OK. Celebration of Life will be held Friday, January 28, 2022, at 1:00PM at Bill Merritt Funeral Home with Chaplain Martin Gossett officiating. Committal prayers and interment will follow at Bethany Cemetery with Scott Lawrence, Michael Wayne Lawrence, Asher Lawrence, Keelan Taylor, Jonah Bybee, Konnor Franklin and Jericho Taylor serving as casket bearers. Honorary casket bearers will be her grandchildren. The family of Ethel Mae 'Dink' Lawrence has entrusted her care, services and burial to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson, OK. 918-478-2555. Online condolences may be left for the family at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com

Cemetery Details

Bethany Cemetery

6418 North Rockwell Ave.
Bethany, OK 73088

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 28. 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Bill Merritt Funeral Service Chapel
6201 Northwest 39th Expressway
Bethany, OK 73008

Celebration of Life

JAN 28. 1:00 PM (CT)

Bill Merritt Funeral Service Chapel
6201 Northwest 39th Expressway
Bethany, OK 73008

Tribute Wall



“ *Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence*

January 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ *Condolences to your family my mom passed right after crazy but forever in our hearts stay strong Michael Lawrence so said email me family anytime*

Tabbatha Bryant - April 13, 2022 at 03:32 AM



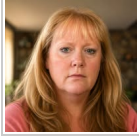
“ *Hello, Mrs. Ethel i will miss you so crazy how you can have a connection with some one for so many years never physically meeting thank you for all you've done i thought about you every time and was mad they switched you as my counselor sending me job leads you were a great person i know just finding out but you will truly be missed*

Tabbatha Bryant - April 13, 2022 at 03:30 AM

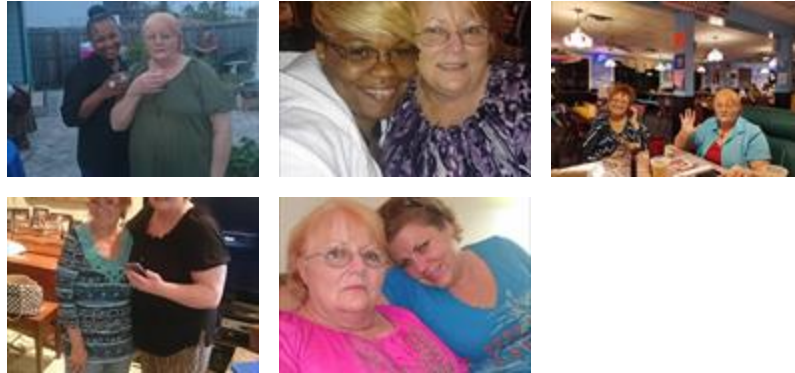


“ *You will truly be missed Ethel. I miss you already.. Sorry I was in the hospital. But you bought a lot of smiles to my face. My God be with your family and the joy of love be with you always. FLB.*

Flora Brehon - February 17, 2022 at 10:15 AM



“ 6 files added to the album MEO Photos



Teresa Ellinger - February 01, 2022 at 05:09 PM

BW

“ *Dink and I worked together many years. It seemed like the harder we laughed, the harder we worked. She was a joy to talk to. Her wit and humor was unmatched. When I moved to SC, we lost the closeness we once enjoyed. I knew Dink to be a proud Mom and a true and loving friend. You will be missed dear friend. I'll never forget you.*

Bobbie Wheaton - January 29, 2022 at 02:02 PM

LS

“ *My sincere condolences to Michael and Ethel's entire family. I worked alongside Ethel for the better part of 11 years. She was a pure joy and wonderful friend. All of us at My Employment Options have special memories of her attending our annual conference in St. Petersburg Florida. Ethel and I ALWAYS shared pictures of our families to each other. Family is what She treasured most. I am so blessed to have had heart to heart conversations and providing each other with a shoulder to lean on. I will sincerely miss her. Much love.*

Lisa Seeley - January 29, 2022 at 11:58 AM

PP

“ I would like to express my condolences and my thoughts and prayers are with Ethel Mae’s close family. I am her niece, one of her brother, Don’s daughters. While it’s been a very long time since I’ve seen her, my dad and my Uncle Stan, used to talk about Ethel Mae and how she was very loved. I also remember her dad talking about her too. I am so sorry for your loss and wish you all kindness and care during this difficult time.

Paula Pritchard - January 28, 2022 at 03:20 PM

KW

“ I would like to offer my condolences to Ethel's family. She was truly a great person and co worker who will be greatly missed. I worked with her for 5 years and she became my go to person for whenever I needed guidance on how to handle difficult client questions. I will miss the great advice she gave me and the joy that she brought. I'm glad that I'll always have these wonderful memories of her to keep. May God bless and keep you.

Key Williamson - January 27, 2022 at 07:06 PM

NG

“ My deepest condolences to the entire family. I worked with her for many years at Employment Options and loved her authenticity. In addition to strong work ethic, she was funny and fun! She was so good at her job and helped so many people along the way. I am truly grateful of the time we had together. May you all be nourished and uplifted by your good memories during the days ahead.

Nancy Greenfield

Nancy Greenfield - January 27, 2022 at 06:22 PM

RF

“ *Michael our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. May God give you strength in the days ahead.*
Ruth and Jack Farrelly



Ruth Farrelly - January 27, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence.*



January 27, 2022 at 04:38 PM

LA

“ *My deepest condolences to Michael and Ethel's family and friends. My heart hurts knowing I will never speak to my special co-worker and friend again. We worked together for over 10 years and I always felt we had a special bond. She was always so easy to talk to and boy did we have some good laughs to work through stress. I loved working with her and she was my job counselor at one time and truly helped her clients our company. She was so good at her job, one of the funniest people I know and just a special person in so many ways. She brought so much to our company in her time there and she will never be forgotten. She is in the arms of her Lord now and watching over all of us. Love you Ethel and may God wrap his arms around your family.*

Lori Adler - Co Worker and Friend

Lori Adler - January 27, 2022 at 01:43 PM

LF

“ Love, MEO Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence.



Love, MEO Family - January 27, 2022 at 01:17 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence.



January 27, 2022 at 11:01 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence.



January 27, 2022 at 10:41 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence.



January 27, 2022 at 10:32 AM

KA

“ When I was little, Grammy would paint my nails and every nail would be a different neon color. She would let me paint her toes, and I used to just think it was so cool to paint her nails. And almost every time I came over, she would bake brownies for me, and I would get to lick the spoon AND the bowl. I felt like I was on top of the world. My whole life she always called me her Kassi-Girl. I also remember this cool M&M thing on her shelf that would eat coins. Grammy would always make sure to let me feed it some change. It was really cool...

Grammy, I love you, and you will ALWAYS occupy a very special place in my heart. I am gonna miss you, but I am happy that you are no longer suffering here on earth any longer. Save me a seat next to you when I get there. I love you very much.

Til we meet again,
Kassi-Girl. 💖💖💖

Kassi-Girl - January 26, 2022 at 11:38 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Ethel Mae "Dink" Lawrence.



January 26, 2022 at 12:30 PM

AS

“ *Michael & Family,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and
your family at this difficult time. It was a joy to
work with Ethel. She had a tremendous
impact on all who got to know her. I will miss
her farm baby updates and silly little emails that made us all laugh.*



Warmest Condolences,

Ann Settle Co-worker

Ann Settle - January 26, 2022 at 10:59 AM