



Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook

March 10, 1943 - March 16, 2025

Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook, 82, of Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, passed away on Sunday, March 16, 2025, in Muskogee. She was born on March 10, 1943, in Muskogee to William Lee and Ima Dale (Wilson) Byfield.

Tudy graduated from high school in Fort Gibson and dedicated over 30 years as a secretary for the Fort Gibson School system. In 1962, she married her soulmate, Ronald D. Cook, and together they shared 63 years of love and devotion.

A faithful member of the Fort Gibson Church of Christ, Tudy found great joy in her faith and family. She was a talented artist who enjoyed painting with oil, acrylics, charcoal, and prisma pencils. However, her greatest joy was her family—she cherished every moment spent with them and rarely missed her grandchildren's activities.

Tudy leaves behind a legacy of unconditional love and devotion to her family. May her memory bring comfort to all who knew her.

Tudy is preceded in death by her father, William Lee Byfield; and her mother, Ima Dale Byfield.

Those left to cherish Tudy's memory are her husband, Ronnie of the home; sons, Steve Cook and wife Leslie of Fort Gibson, and Gary Cook and wife Kelly of Fort Gibson; grandsons, Tyler Cook and wife Samantha, Kacy Cook and wife Cortney, Kevin Cook and wife Ashton, Zane Cook and wife Abigail, and Kennedy Cook and wife Blayne; great grandchildren, Emerson Cook, Cambry Cook, Cora Cook, Knox Cook, Hayes Cook, Campbell Cook, and

Cade Cook; brother, Billy Lee Byfield; extended family; and many friends.

In lieu of flowers the family of Ima Jean 'Tudy' Cook is requesting memorial contributions be made in her name to Kelly B Todd Cerebral Palsy and Neuro-Muscular Center at www.kellybtodd.org

Visitation will be Friday, March 21, 2025 at Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home in Fort Gibson with family receiving friends from 5PM-7PM.

A celebration of Tudy's life will be 10AM, Saturday, March 22, 2025 at Fort Gibson Church of Christ with her son Gary Cook officiating and Minister Dan Rouse eulogizing. Committal prayers and interment will follow at Starnes Cemetery in Fort Gibson with Tyler Cook, Kacy Cook, Kevin Cook, Kennedy Cook, Zane Cook, and Knox Cook serving as casket bearers. Jerry Bebee, Butch Cook, Billy Byfield, Charles Dortch, Campbell Cook, Hayes Cook, and Cade Cook will serve as honorary casket bearers.

The family of Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook has entrusted her care, service, and burial to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson. 918-478-2555
Online condolences may be left for the family at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com

Cemetery Details

Starnes Cemetery

Hwy 62
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Previous Events

Visitation with Family to Greet Friends

MAR 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home (Fort Gibson)
1224 E Poplar St
Fort Gibson, OK 74434
(918) 478-2555

Celebration of Life

MAR 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

Fort Gibson Church of Christ
806 S Lee
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Tribute Wall

DG

“ Tudy was one of those special individuals that made others feel good when she was with them. She was so great to work with because she made everyday more positive and fun.

Derald Glover - March 22, 2025 at 10:20 AM

NS

“ What I remember most about Tudy was how calm she was when she watched her grandsons play ball THEN I remembered that boisterous laugh she had that you could hear all up and down the hallway from her desk! She was a bright light that will be truly missed.

Nancy Sheffield - March 21, 2025 at 05:29 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook.

March 19, 2025 at 07:31 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook.



March 19, 2025 at 07:31 PM

PB

“ *She will be missed. Such and sweet and thoughtful soul!*



Penny Baker - March 19, 2025 at 06:11 PM

MS

“ *Mary Sanger lit a candle in memory of Ima Cook*



Mary Sanger - March 19, 2025 at 10:47 AM

MS

“ *My Tootie-Fruttie...the world has lost an Angel! The memories, giggles and secrets we shared bring me smiles. Anyone who knew her was so blessed. God is holding her in his arms 🙏*

Mary Sanger - March 19, 2025 at 10:45 AM

BS

“ *Brandon Stout purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook.*



Brandon Stout - March 19, 2025 at 09:59 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook.

March 19, 2025 at 09:58 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook.



March 19, 2025 at 09:58 AM



“ Shelia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ima Cook



Shelia Johnson - March 19, 2025 at 08:41 AM



“ Eunice Brown lit a candle in memory of Ima Cook



Eunice Brown - March 19, 2025 at 08:13 AM



“ Love and Hugs to our Ft Gibson cousins.



Angie Wilson (Henderson) - March 19, 2025 at 08:00 AM



“ Tudy was always so kind to me when we were growing up. She was always there for us boys who played on the Ft Gibson State Bank baseball team. Tudy will truly be missed. Big hugs and prayers to Ronnie, Steve, Gary and the rest of the family.



Shawn Smith - March 19, 2025 at 12:15 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook.



March 18, 2025 at 10:54 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers for the family. We Love you. Connie Byfield Dobson and family



Connie Byfield Dobson - March 18, 2025 at 10:39 PM

JH

“ So sorry to hear this. Tudy was a great lady and a dear friend and I've known her for many years and she was a sweet lady.



James Harris - March 18, 2025 at 10:37 PM

MV

“ Mary. BYfield. Vance lit a candle in memory of Ima Cook



Mary. BYfield. Vance - March 18, 2025 at 03:25 PM



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March 18, 2025 at 09:55 AM

BF

“ Bud and Kathy Stehwien and family purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Ima Jean "Tudy" Cook.



Bud and Kathy Stehwien and family - March 18, 2025 at 09:20 AM

JP

“ Joy Harris Parker lit a candle in memory of Ima Cook



Joy Harris Parker - March 18, 2025 at 08:42 AM

EB

“ Eunice Brown lit a candle in memory of Ima Cook



Eunice Brown - March 17, 2025 at 09:43 PM

KS

“ One of my most favorite cousins. We will miss her. She always was an angel and now truly is one. We didn't get to visit as much as we would have liked, but we sent texts often. She's left so many wonderful memories for her family and friends. Kathy and Bud Stehwien

Kathy Stehwien - March 17, 2025 at 06:52 PM