



## Melba Bethany

May 22, 1923 - February 21, 2009

Obituary for Melba Blanche Bethany Graveside services for Melba Blanche Bethany, 85, of Velma, OK., will be held, Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at 11 am, at Little Cemetery, located north of Seminole, OK., with Minister Ron Stough of Eastside Church of Christ officiating. Blanche passed away Saturday, February 21, 2009, at Wilkins Nursing Home in Duncan, OK. Blanche was born May 22, 1923, near Sylvian, OK, to Charlie Allen and Minnie Fourt Bray. She married Charles Harmon Bethany on March 25, 1940. Blanche and Harmon moved from Seminole to Eunice, NM in 1946 where she lived for over fifty years before returning to Oklahoma. While in Eunice she drove a bus on the Oil Center route for the Eunice school system for over twenty five years before her retirement. While driving her route she touched many lives throughout her tenure. Blanche was a member of Eastside Church of Christ in Duncan. She is survived by two sons; Glen Bethany and his wife Linda, of Huntsville, AR., and Darrel Bethany of Roswell, NM., five grandchildren; Robert Bethany of Catoosa, OK and Brett Bethany of Huntsville AR., Shawn Bethany, Jason Bethany and Christi Barnes of Roswell, NM., nine great grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; four sisters; Ruby Heald of Crane, TX., Jessie Parsons of Davis, OK., Betty Van Matre of Hobbs, NM., and Darlene Underwood of Halls, TN., one brother; Franklin Bray of Crane, TX. Blanche was preceded in death by her husband, three sisters; one brother and her daughter- in-law Judy Bethany. Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home & Crematory, of Roswell, NM.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Melba Bethany*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Shawn,  
It seems like we have had a hard couple of years losing our moms  
and now your grandma. I am so sorry for your loss.*

**Dee Nallie** - April 01, 2009 at 04:14 PM



“ *My sympathies go to you and your family upon the loss of your  
loved one. Please know that my prayers are with you. May God  
comfort you and be close to you at this time.*

**Shirley McAfee** - March 05, 2009 at 09:47 PM



“ *Darrel and family, I share in your sorrow of Melba's passing. I know  
what it is like to lose a parent and the grieving that is done. May  
God wrap His loving arms around you and hold you close, as He  
has done for me. May He bring people, like the funeral director who  
took care of my dad, into your lives who can help you through this  
time.*

**Julie Hines** - March 05, 2009 at 09:32 PM

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“ *The Bethaney Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. Keep all your memories close to your heart and she will always be there. God Bless, Randle and Crystal Reed*

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**Crystal Reed** - March 03, 2009 at 02:13 PM

GC

“ *Mr. Bethany, We are so sorry about your loss, but may you take comfort in knowing you will see her again! your bother and sister in Christ.  
Gary & LaDonna Church on the Move*

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**Gary & LaDonna Corman** - March 01, 2009 at 03:40 PM

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“ *Darrel & Family,  
Sorry to have read about the loss of your mother. Our sympathy to you & your family.  
David & Pauline Papworth & The Staff of Maddux Monument Co.*

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**Pauline Papworth** - February 28, 2009 at 04:35 PM

JB

“ *Jesus said: I am the way, the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father except through me. In my Father's house there are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you, and I will come again for you. For where I am, there you might be also. John 14  
Jesus learned to walk among us so that we might learn to walk with God. Your Mom is singing praises to God at this very moment.  
May God send comfort and peace to you during this difficult time.*

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**Jerry & Dena Brown** - February 25, 2009 at 07:24 PM

LP

“ *Darrell, Sorry to read of your mom's passing. Mary and I's prayers will be with you.*

*Larry and Mary Preston*

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**Larry Preston** - February 25, 2009 at 02:14 PM

LS

“ *So sorry to read about the death of your Mother in Okla. Our sympathy to you and all of your family. Sounds like she was quite a lady and will be greatly missed. God bless.*

*Larry Stiles & Ballard Staff*

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**Larry Stiles** - February 24, 2009 at 09:31 AM