



Jo Fern Ausley

March 23, 1918 - October 4, 2007

Jo Fern (Cosper) Ausley was born on March 22, 1918 and died on October 4, 2007. Born in DeQueen, Arkansas, she was the third of seven children born to Joe Bell and Emma Viola (Hughes) Cosper. She married Richard Kirkwood Ausley in Atoka, Oklahoma on August 1, 1937. Together, they weathered the many changes brought on by World War II and Richard's deployment to the Pacific theater in the United States Navy. In 1954, Jo and Richard moved to Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, where they raised two daughters, were members of the First United Methodist Church and operated a public accounting firm for nearly 40 years. In 2004, Jo moved to Norman, Oklahoma, where she lived with her daughter and son-in-law until her death.

Jo attended both Oklahoma State and Southeastern State Universities, was a member of Eastern Star and a past-President of the Pauls Valley Mother's Study Club. Jo continued to work as an accountant until the age of 83.

Jo was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Richard and her four brothers, Fred, Edwin, Joe Bob and Dolph Cosper. She is survived by her first-born Karen Jo Norton of Edmond, Oklahoma, her youngest daughter Terry Jan and husband Richard Hull of Norman, Oklahoma, and her beloved grandson Richard Blake Norton of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She is also survived by her sister Velma Godwin of Hot Springs, Arkansas, her brother Charles Cosper of Sacramento, California, numerous nieces and nephews in whom she took great joy and companionship through the years, and the many loving friends who gave comfort, support and spice to her life.

The family wishes to express our deepest appreciation to the employees of Lifecare of Oklahoma who brought kindness, warmth and love into the last years of our mother's and grandmother's life.

The family will receive friends and family on Monday, October 8, 2007 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 7. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Pauls Valley)
1601 South Chickasaw
Pauls Valley, OK

Visitation

OCT 8. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Pauls Valley)
1601 South Chickasaw
Pauls Valley, OK

Service

OCT 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home Chapel
1601 S. Chickasaw
Pauls Valley, Ok

Tribute Wall



“ *Jo Fern Ausley*

November 12, 2022 at 02:44 AM



“ *She was a dear and kind great aunt to my brother Dustin and I when we met her when we were kids, she let my mom (Glori Euwer) and us stay with her when we were moving to Texas in 1989. I will always remember how funny she was and her sweet smile. wish i could have been there for the severive but my 2 month old daughter was having surgry again. Best wishes to her family and there loss.##imported-begin##Desirae Reed and family##imported-end##*

October 23, 2007 at 12:41 AM



“ *I am very sorry for your loss. I very much enjoyed having Jo for my aunt. Her directness and candor was greatly appreciated. I will miss her.*

I am sorry that I was not able visit during this time. My 75 year old mother had surgery this week and I was with her.##imported-begin##Glori R. (Cosper) Euwer##imported-end##

October 13, 2007 at 12:09 AM



“ *Karen, It has been my pleasure to work with you for several years now and visit about our parents from time to time. I do lift you and Blake in my prayers that our loving and almighty God will continue to bring comfort to your hearts. Your family and the obvious love that is shared is very wonderful. Blessings on you all, Ron##imported-begin##Ron Altes##imported-end##*

October 11, 2007 at 01:41 PM



“ *To my dear friend Karen,
My heart, my love, and my prayers are with you and your family. I'm saving a hug for you for when you return.*

My deepest sympathy my friend.

Robert##imported-begin##Robert Wyatt##imported-end##

October 10, 2007 at 12:14 PM



“ Terry and family, I wanted you to know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all. I have many memories of Pauls Valley, and Mary Johnson and I have been sharing those spent at your house, in particular. I wish I had known your mother better. After reading more about her, it seems she was a very special person. Take care, and know your friends are just a thought away, in spite of the many miles that separate some of us. Fondly, Judy###imported-begin##Judy (Foster) Stamper###imported-end##

October 10, 2007 at 08:27 AM



“ Karen, Terry, Rich and Blake, my dear Cousins. I am so thankful to have known Aunt Jo. My favorite memory is visiting ya'll in 1985 during the week of Blake's baptism. How much fun Aunt Jo has been will stay with us forever, as too the unforgettable taste of her world famous chocolate cream pie dessert. God bless.###imported-begin##Don Cospers###imported-end##

October 10, 2007 at 02:02 AM



“ Aunt Jo was 100% successful at bringing a smile to my face every time I came in contact with her. She was uplifting. Many years passed without communication but the second I spoke to her it was like no time had passed. She was the same inspiring influence from start to finish. I'm proud to be related to her. She's been a lifelong special person to me.###imported-begin##John Cospers###imported-end##

October 10, 2007 at 01:18 AM



“ I will remember Aunt Jo as a very wonderful and entertaining person.###imported-begin##Alex Cospers###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 09:42 PM



“ Terry & Rich:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.###imported-begin##Jennie Jolley###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 04:49 PM



“ Karen, Blake, Terry & Rich: Y'all mean the world to me and I wish I could be there to hug you now. So many great memories and love. It's a good thing we have lots of sunshine and smiles to get us through times like this. Y'all are in my thoughts and prayers. Gayla & Steve###imported-begin###Gayla Mattingly###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 04:28 PM



“ Karen and Terry, what a great picture of your mom. I will forever love your mother and father, they were not only great friends to my parents but also my grandparents. What a party the heavens must be having now.###imported-begin###Jane Nunn Bass###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 04:09 PM



“ Karen, Terry-Rich and Blake we so dearly loved Aunt Jo Fern. She did get to meet April. We have so many happy memories of the family re-unions, peanut brittle and the giant UPS boxes filled with the beautiful dresses. I was one of the best dressed girls in school. After Daddy passed away I conversed with her for 2 1/2 hours. Our thoughts and prayers also go out to Aunt Velma and Uncle Charles. I will get together some of my Mom's slides/photos to send. Stay in touch. Love and God's comfort Joanne, April, Jim Bond, Stevie and Jimmy###imported-begin###Joanne (Cosper) Bond###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 03:46 PM



“ Terry and Family,

I am saddened by your loss of a lovely and kind lady. She always opened her home to us as we grew up together. I will always cherish the good memories of spending time with her. I hope the sadness of losing her will turn to precious memories and heal the pain you feel in your heart today.###imported-begin###Angelique (Roland) Sickman###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 10:42 AM



“ Uncle Rich and Aunt Terry, I am very sorry to hear about Jo's passing. I was able to get to know her the past couple of times I came to visit. She was a very nice, loving lady. She was always open to talk to me and share a good laugh. I will never forget when she told me about her favorite drink, the pink Cadillac. She will be missed very much. You and Rich took such great care of her. We send our love and prayers from Florida.

Love, Roanna and Jared###imported-begin##Roanna and Jared Eggert###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 09:44 AM



“ My fondest childhood and adult memories are the times I spent with my Aunt Jo. She was a wonderful person and a blessing in my life. Karen, Blake, Terry, and Rich - my prayers are with you. I am regretful that I could not be there in person to relay this message.###imported-begin##Jim (Jimmy) Hamilton###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 09:34 AM



“ Terry, we had a great childhood in Pauls Valley. I still remember the time when your cousin or friend came to visit. Don't remember her name but could like to know what she's doing now.
You were always a good friend and encouraging to me though I wasn't very popular. I appreciate you for that.
I sense that you and your mother were good friends. I pray for God's peace and comfort as you deal with your loss.
I really don't remember your mom that well but the picture indicates that she was a bunch of fun to be around...just like you.

Blessings to you, my friend.###imported-begin##David Reid###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 08:36 AM



“ We are so sorry for the loss of your mother. Your mother will always live in your heart, in your memories, and in the way you see the world. May you find comfort in her spirit and presence around you. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. With deepest sympathy. God bless and love to all.
Ronnie, Christa & Aaron Hull###imported-begin##Ronnie, Christa & Aaron Hull###imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 12:28 AM



“ I have the great pleasure of working next to Jo's daughter Karen. She and I sit next to one another and have shared many a story about our Mother's!

I have had your family in my thoughts and prayers and hope that you draw great comfort and strength from one another during this time of loss. May God bless you all ways and always.

Lori Bowler

October 08, 2007 at 11:02 PM



“ Karen and Terry,

I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Your Mother was such a special lady. She always enjoyed all of your friends and in the years to come their children. I taught my son, Ed, to kiss the ladies hands when he was just a toddler and your Mother would laugh with such glee when he greeted her by kissing her hand. When my daughter, Amy, was just three your Mother made the cutest flower girl dress for her to wear in my cousins wedding. We would have such good visits while she sewed. I have so many good memories of her and I know that the wonderful memories you have will give much comfort during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Judy (Irwin) Weaver

October 08, 2007 at 08:55 PM



“ Terri,

We are sorry to hear of your mothers passing. You and your family are in our prayers. If there is anything we can do please let us know.

Love, Bob & Karen Battles

October 08, 2007 at 08:03 PM



“ Tears are in my eyes as I type this. I was her "little brother" and she was my "older sister"...and nothing ever really changed that relationship. I will always remember her laughter and undying love for friends and relatives. My children adored her. And she will remain in our memories with great love and affection.

Charles Cospers

October 08, 2007 at 07:18 PM



“ Karen, I'm so sorry for the loss of your Mom. You and your family are in our prayers. God bless you.##imported-begin##Joe Turinetti##imported-end##

October 08, 2007 at 06:40 PM



“ Terry,

I will never forget all the great times that I had with your Mom, for that matter, with your whole family. I love the way you all welcomed me into your family get-togethers, graduations, birthdays, Thanksgiving dinners and tea parties. I could not ask for better company than you, Jo, Rich, Blake, and Karen. Not only, did you welcome me, but you graciously welcomed my Mother and Sisters who all love you like I do. Jo was very special to me. She became like a grandmother to me after I lost mine. The relationship between Blake and Jo always reminded me of the wonderful relationship that I had with my grandmother. What Blake was to his Nannon, I was to my Oldmama. How lucky Blake and I are, so few people know what it is like to be loved that much by one person. My heart goes out to you all during this sad time. I love you very much, Christal Adair##imported-begin##Christal Adair##imported-end##

October 08, 2007 at 04:55 PM



“ Karen-

I'm so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. I will be thinking of you, Blake and the entire family during this time.

May the special memories of your mom help to comfort and bring you peace during this time.

Lisa##imported-begin##Lisa Lees##imported-end##

October 08, 2007 at 03:25 PM



“ To my favorite Aunt whom I share a Birthday and a name. I have some of the best memories involving dress-up, a cymbal playing monkey and a Santa that played "Jinger Bells". There is an emptiness in my heart. Aunt Jo you were an amazing woman who always had to have the last word (got to be a Cospers thing) I love you and will miss you very much.

Always,

Michele###imported-begin###Michele Joan (Cospers) Vest###imported-end##

October 08, 2007 at 01:08 PM



“ You cannot imagine how much I will miss that wonderful Aunt Jo Sern. She was my absolute favorite Aunt. She is with our maker, and in a much better place. I do so wish I could be with you two. I will be there in spirit.

May God bless you:

Gary and Pat###imported-begin###Gary and Patricia Cospers###imported-end##

October 08, 2007 at 09:59 AM



“ I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. I know you will miss her very much. From what you have told me about her she must have been a real treasure. I regret I will be unable to attend the funeral services in person, but I will be there for you in spirit. God bless you all.###imported-begin###Perry Dausatz###imported-end##

October 08, 2007 at 12:51 AM



“ Jo was such a blessing to our family. She and Richard took my husband, Joe into family as a son of the heart many years ago and helped guide as a young man. For that I can not thank them enough. When a new bride showed up on Christmas Eve in 1971 she was taken into the family at once. Our 4 children used the family bassinet and loved Aunt Jo and Uncle Richard very much. I will never forget the wonderful parties Jo hosted. They were legendary for class, love, fun and food, filling the house with joy for all. I will hold a precious memory of Jo tenderly holding our children, much like she held Blake, the light of her life. Please know Jo will live in the heart of many people for lifetimes to come. Love to all, Joe and Maralea Brooks and family.###imported-begin###Maralea Brooks###imported-end##

October 08, 2007 at 12:01 AM



“ Blake, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I'll always remember what a cool grandma you had and how I always laughed ALOT whenever she was around. May your memories of her be a source of comfort to you at this time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Susan (Ross) Babiak###imported-begin##Susan Babiak###imported-end##

October 07, 2007 at 08:18 PM



“ Karen, Terry and Blake,

You are in our thoughts and always remember that Aunt Jo was a very special lady to many!###imported-begin##Patricia Cospers-Oak Harbor, Wa.###imported-end##

October 07, 2007 at 05:18 PM



“ The picture is priceless! That was my Aunt Jo!! Our love to you & our spirit is with you during this time. Blessing to you all, Jack & Linda###imported-begin##Jack & Linda Hilberling###imported-end##

October 07, 2007 at 04:58 PM



“ Teri and Karen...I feel blessed to have known your sweet mother. She was an inspiration to me showing what growing old gracefully can be in spite of some serious health issues. She loved life and loved her girls. I am so glad I got to spend time with her a few weeks ago while you and Christal went to an orientation. Mostly she talked about her wonderful daughters and how proud she was of them. Her sweet face just lit up when she talked about Blake her darling grandson and how sweet he was to come spend time with her doing therapy so she could gain strength back. I made brownies for her that day and she laughed and told me how much fun she and Rich had when they made cookies. She loved Rich very much and was thankful to have him for a son in law. Jo loved my sweet Christal and Christal loved her too.

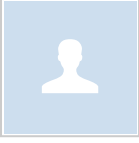
Jo was a beautiful lady and now she is an even more beautiful angel. We will always miss her but memories of her will warm our hearts forever. May the good Lord wrap his loving arms around all of you and be your comforter through these difficult times.###imported-begin##Gloria Stille###imported-end##

October 07, 2007 at 10:22 AM



“ I will miss Jo, she was a special person, we always enjoyed each other company. She always made me feel good about myself because she believe in me and what ever I was doing.
God Bless###imported-begin###Floyd Gilreath###imported-end##

October 06, 2007 at 07:43 PM



“ Karen, I was so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a wonderful lady. I remember many happy times at your home and your Mom was a big part of that. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sincerely, Sharon (Cook) Brown###imported-begin###Sharon (Cook) Brown###imported-end##

October 05, 2007 at 02:01 PM