



## Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson

March 19, 1947 - February 3, 2019

I was born in Pauls Valley, Ok on March 19, 1947 and passed from this life on February 3, 2019 at my home in Paoli, Ok at the age of 71. I have 4 sisters and 1 brother. My Daddy and Mama had a 280 acre farm where they raised cattle, pigs, chickens, a huge garden, an apple orchard, large fields of corn, cotton, and pecan trees.

I went to p.v. to school for 12 yrs., riding the school bus to and from (Still remember Charlie Rayburn making some rowdy teen age boys get off the bus and walk home! If a bus driver did that now, he would probably go to jail, but those boys showed a lot more respect for others the rest of the school year)

I guess maybe I have more than one "favorite" memory ... Running around the farm barefoot (I could have probably walked on nails by the end of summer!), dragging main, the D.J.s that came to town & had a dance, Ballard's Dairy Queen, Brewer's Drive-in, the skating rink, bowling alley, the pie suppers at Church, the times the ladies gathered up and quilted & the kids got to play underneath the quilt, walking across the pasture to see my friends, speeding down a dirt road with the music cranked in my Daddy's old pickup.

I worked on the farm in the summer. Working the fields and helping sell fruit

from the orchard, helping can  
enough fruit and vegetables for the winter and hauling hay. Mama making  
homemade ice cream after a long,  
hot day of work and sitting on the front porch eating it and watching the  
fireflies. In the fall it was picking cotton  
and pecans.

I liked Ms. McKinley and Mr. Ernest Willingham as teachers.

I worked in OKC at a moving and storage business from the time I graduated  
until April 1966 when I married my

Jim and had babies, a son and 2 daughters.

My husband hated when I worked at a job, He said when he and the kids got  
home from school and work, they

came into an empty house if I was at work. When I was on the other side of  
the door or meeting them in the

yard, they came back to a home instead of a lonesome, empty house.

I worked for an income tax company for 3 tax seasons, did inventory for  
Wacker's warehouse, and Ford motor

company, but mostly I was a home maker. Jim and I bought a home in Paoli in  
1968. Then built our own home in 1990.

Mrs. Pearson is survived by:

Son: Mark Alan Pearson

Daughters: Heather Julie Benthin and husband Dave

Angela Lynn Bishop

Brother: Edwin McPherson and Judy

Sisters: Sue Waters, Janice Davis and Hardy, Nadine Bogle and Lee, and  
Betty Wright

5 grandchildren: Caleb Pearson, Blake Bishop, Bryson Bishop, Dustin  
Hutchinson, and Clayton Pearson

6 great-grandchildren: L'Rae, Calen, and Brier Pearson, Aubree, Grace,

Raylie Bishop and the granddog, Clamity Jane Hutchinson

Mrs. Pearson was preceded in death by

Husband: Jimmy in 2009

Parents: Earl and Mary McPherson

Funeral services are scheduled for 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 6, 2019  
at the Wooster Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Seth McDevitt officiating.

Interment will be in the Paoli Cemetery under the direction of Wooster Funeral  
Home. You may send a condolence to the family at [www.woosterfuneralhome  
s.com](http://www.woosterfuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 5. 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

FEB 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson*



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**Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services** - February 05, 2019 at 02:11 PM



*So sorry Heather and Angie, prayers to y'all and family, love Danny & Dixie Williams*

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**Dixie Williams** - February 05, 2019 at 06:43 PM

JS

*Wonderful video of her life. I remember her as a very sweet, quiet person.*

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**Judy Honeycutt Simmons** - February 05, 2019 at 08:02 PM

DP

*I'm so sorry Heather, I know how you feel. When I lost my mom she was my best friend too, the only one in my corner. I loved the memories your mom was beautiful lady. You need to talk or cry on my shoulder I'm here. Just call and I'll be there for you. Love & Prayers with you and family*

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**Debbie Townsend Pyle** - February 05, 2019 at 08:36 PM

VS

*I loved that video*

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**Vicki Swinney** - February 05, 2019 at 09:10 PM



Sheila  
Riley

*Beautiful tribute to a wonderful lady. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends during this difficult time.*

**Sheila Riley** - February 05, 2019 at 11:28 PM



JH

*Gonna miss my neighbor going to womens meetings together. You are at peace now my friend.*

**jo high** - February 06, 2019 at 12:09 AM



NJ

*With loving memory and greatest sympathy.*

**Nita Jacobson** - February 06, 2019 at 12:55 PM



CD

*Beautiful tribute to such a sweet sweet lady, we will all miss her.*

**Charolette DeArman** - February 06, 2019 at 01:12 PM



DB

*This is such a beautiful and onderful video of Ruth's life. I remember her as a very sweet, quiet person. Thoughts and prayers for her family.*

**David and Lisa Baker** - February 06, 2019 at 08:22 PM



PB

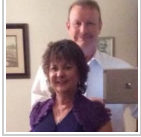
*Heather this is a beautiful tribute for your beautiful mom. She was a wonderful lady whom you will always miss. Love you. Peggy*

**peggy brady** - June 11, 2019 at 01:17 PM



“ *Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson*

November 12, 2022 at 02:44 AM



“ *Ruth, beautiful woman inside and out. You are a special treasure and I love and miss you... my dear sweet friend. ❤️*

**Karen Nichols** - February 06, 2019 at 05:22 PM

DE

“ *Heather, we are so sorry about your sweet Mom. I know our words won't ease your pain but our hearts share your sorry. You're in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Dr. Clipperton, Sharon and Edna** - February 06, 2019 at 11:23 AM



“ *Ruth kind and encouraging to me after D'Wayne died. She knew my pain. I can't help but think of how happy she is to be with Jim again. I am blessed to have known her.*

**Vickie Ashley** - February 06, 2019 at 10:17 AM

CL

“ *Cathy Lauderdale lit a candle in memory of Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson*



**Cathy Lauderdale** - February 06, 2019 at 08:37 AM

CS

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Ruth's passing. She was always so sweet to me. Roger said she and Jim were really good people. We pray for all the family's peace and strength in this sad time. Roger and Cheryl Self*

**Cheryl Self** - February 05, 2019 at 03:41 PM

BR

“ *Brenda lit a candle in memory of Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson*



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**Brenda** - February 05, 2019 at 03:09 PM

RD

“ *Heather, so sorry that your mother has gone on before you but, know that you will someday be with her again. She was a wonderful woman who touched the lives of many. God bless.*

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**Reba Dunnam** - February 05, 2019 at 01:46 PM

KC

“ *I have many wonderful memories of fun times with Ruth when we were growing up. She was a great friend and will be missed.*

*Karen West Cook*

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**Karen West Cook** - February 05, 2019 at 01:43 PM

MW

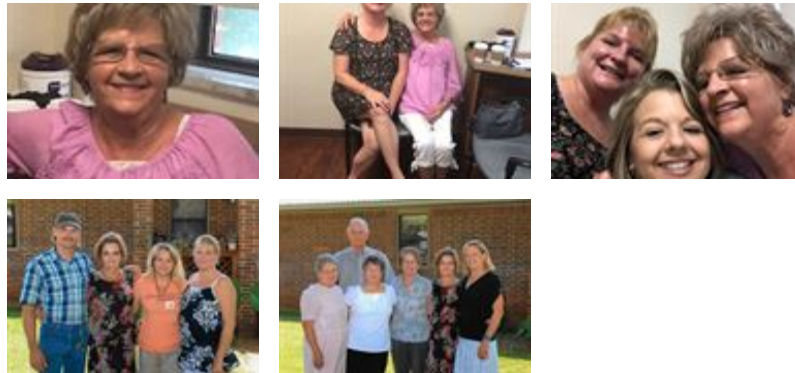
“ *What an obituary!!! This is the best and most moving obit I've ever read. Kids, your mama was always so friendly to everyone and a hard worker at church. I'm so sorry for your loss. May God grant you peace and comfort during this difficult time*  
*Marilyn Webster*

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**Marilyn Webster** - February 05, 2019 at 01:11 PM



“ 33 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services - February 05, 2019 at 12:47 PM

LB

“ *Linda Bishop lit a candle in memory of Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson*



Linda Bishop - February 05, 2019 at 11:55 AM

LW

“ *Ruth was a joy to be around! So much fun. Her smile was contagious, her laugh infectious and she would always tell you what she was thinking. Most of the time a lot of other people were thinking the same thing and Ruth just said it for us! I thank God for the friendship we had! Being the “new kid in town”, Ruth always made me feel like she’d known me forever. I loved her for that and will always carry the fondest of memories. Going to miss you my friend! See you when I get there!!!*

Leslie White - February 05, 2019 at 11:22 AM

Sheila  
Riley

“ *She was an amazing woman who always had a smile and a hug. She will be greatly missed. Thoughts and prayers for her family and friends.* ”



Sheila Riley - February 05, 2019 at 10:55 AM

DW

“ *So sorry to hear this news, my prayers for you all.* ”

Debbie Wadley - February 05, 2019 at 12:22 AM

CB

“ *So sad to hear of your loss. Heaven welcomed one of the sweetest people to live in this world. Praying for you and your family.* ”



Cindy Davenport Beck - February 04, 2019 at 10:45 PM

ST

“ *Steven lit a candle in memory of Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson* ”



Steven - February 04, 2019 at 09:44 PM

LS

“ Laurie Sloan lit a candle in memory of Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson



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**Laurie Sloan** - February 04, 2019 at 07:22 PM

KS

“ Kim Green Swinney lit a candle in memory of Ella Ruth McPherson Pearson



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**Kim Green Swinney** - February 04, 2019 at 04:16 PM