



## Clyda Jean Hunter

October 17, 1945 - December 3, 2020

Clyda Jean (Sage) Hunter, age 75 of Talihina, Oklahoma passed away on December 3rd, 2020 in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Clyda was born on October 17th, 1945 to Opal (Watson) and Clyde Sage in Buffalo Valley, Oklahoma. She was the youngest of nine siblings. She attended the Buffalo Valley School and loved growing up in the Kiamichi Mountains. Clyda had a great love for horses and rodeo, she also competed in Barrel Racing. She married the love of her life, Vern Hunter on May 17th, 1968. They were blessed with one son, Jeff whom was the center of their world.

Clyda is a longtime beloved resident of the Talihina Community. She retired from the Talihina Veteran's Center as an Administrative Assistant in 2007, after 42 years of dedicated service. She was a faithful servant of GOD and a longtime member of the Whitesboro Baptist Church. She loved her church family dearly. She had many hobbies, but all included her family and friends. Clyda enjoyed going to sporting events with Vern to watch the kids in the community play; especially her favorite player, her grandson Rhett. She loved being part of something good, and always saw the good in others. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Clyda is survived by her husband, Vern of the home; son, Jeff Hunter and wife, Christie of Whitesboro, OK; grandchildren, Rhett Hunter of Whitesboro, OK, and Leah Hunter and Zack Hines of Fort Smith, AR; one brother, Bob Sage of CA; one sister, Claudean and Bill Erdner of Sand Springs, OK; as well as many nieces, nephews and a host of friends that she considered family.

Clyda is preceded in death by her parents, and seven siblings.

In Lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Whitesboro Baptist Church in memory of Clyda Hunter.

Graveside services will be on Tuesday, December 8th, 2020 at 2:00 PM at Prairie Grove Cemetery in Whitesboro, OK with Bro. David Gibson officiating. Services have been entrusted to McCarn Funeral Service of Talihina, OK.



# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

DEC 8. 2:00 PM.

Prairie Grove Cemetery

# Tribute Wall

BD

“ I only got to meet my Aunt Clyda twice. We went back for a Sage family reunion, to see where my dad grew up and meet all our Sage family. Clyda was beautiful, kind and loving to me and my family from California. I loved hearing about her riding in rodeo's when I met her. Vern, Jeff and all the family are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Billie Sage Davis*

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**Billie Sage Davis** - December 14, 2020 at 03:22 PM

GW

“ Loved this family dearly. Claudean and I were best friends in high school and the 3 of us played basketball together. Have spent many nights at their house growing up and making sweet memories.

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**Glenna Linker Watkins** - December 09, 2020 at 09:22 PM

VS

“ I wish to send my deepest sympathy to Clyda's family. My sister and I played with Clyda and Claudean especially in the summer as children. Esp. remember the slate hills and grapevine swings on their place. Our dad worked with their brother at the dairy. Also went to school with them at BV,. As a new high school graduate, I rode back and forth to Wilburton with Clyda and her dad to work. We lost touch after I moved out of state.

*With fond memories I send loving thoughts to Clyda's family.  
Vera Phelps Stewart*

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**Vera Phelps Stewart** - December 09, 2020 at 08:25 PM

SR

“ i wish to send my deepest sympathy. Clyda was a wonderful Lady and she will be greatly missed. she always new you no matter where you seen her. I loved her very much. I PRAY GOD holds you all close in his arms and gives you all peace, comfort and understanding.

*with loving thoughts of you all in this time of sorrow I send My Love to Vern, Jeff and Family.*

*Susee Roberts*

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**susee roberts** - December 08, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clyda Jean Hunter.*



December 08, 2020 at 08:36 AM

LF

“ *Landon Pyland And Family lit a candle in memory of Clyda Jean Hunter*



**Landon Pyland and Family** - December 07, 2020 at 01:49 PM

MB

“ *Midge Blue lit a candle in memory of Clyda Jean Hunter*



**Midge Blue** - December 06, 2020 at 12:13 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Clyda Jean Hunter.*



December 05, 2020 at 12:21 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clyda Jean Hunter.*



December 05, 2020 at 12:01 PM

AY

“ Alton Young lit a candle in memory of Clyda Jean Hunter



Alton Young - December 04, 2020 at 09:45 PM

TW

“ I wish to send my deepest regrets to Clydas family. I had the privledge and honor to work with Clyda in the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affair for many years.. She was a friend and a person one could always depend on. Always friendly and careing one of the bright spots at the Talihina veterans center. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mike Walters

Thomas M. Walters - December 04, 2020 at 08:55 PM

GP

“ Clyda was a beautiful person both inside and out!  
Gayle Bryant Piester



Gayle Piester - December 04, 2020 at 06:24 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Clyda Jean Hunter.



December 04, 2020 at 04:07 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clyda Jean Hunter.



December 04, 2020 at 03:59 PM

ME

“ Sorry for your loss!  
A family that I shared many good times with!  
Mercedes (Wade) Ellis

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**Mercedes Ellis** - December 04, 2020 at 02:23 PM

KB

“ Clyda was always smiling! She liked to tell me a story about my mother (Jo Ann Kirkes) teaching her to drive, and running the car through a bunch of chickens. She would get to laughing so hard she could barely talk! I will miss seeing her at ballgames. I'm so sorry for Vern and the rest of her family.

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**Kim Baughman** - December 04, 2020 at 01:35 PM