



Muriel Emma Armstrong

August 20, 1937 - January 18, 2026

Muriel Emma (Fox) Armstrong, 88, passed away peacefully at Bartlesville Health and Rehab Community on January 18, 2026, of natural causes. Muriel was born in Evansburg, Pennsylvania on August 20, 1937, to William Vaughan and Margaret Ellen (Bruce) Fox. In 1948, the family moved to Poteau, Oklahoma and then in 1951 to Coffeyville, Kansas, where Muriel graduated from Field Kindley Memorial High School. She married Howard Franklin Armstrong on October 23, 1955, and they made their home in Nowata, Howard's hometown, until they moved to Bartlesville in 1983.

Muriel started her married life as a homemaker and mother. When her children were older, she went to work at Disan Engineering in Nowata as an electronics technician until she was hired by Applied Automation in Bartlesville. Later she chose a career change and transferred to Phillips Petroleum as clerical office help. She later became church secretary at Dewey United Methodist Church until her retirement.

Muriel is survived by a daughter – Sue Ellen and her husband Archie Long of Hamilton, Kansas, and a son – Howard Armstrong, Jr. and his wife Pam of Coffeyville, Kansas. She was blessed with four grandchildren – Bradley Kyle Armstrong and his wife Jennifer of Prosper, Texas; Michelle Armstrong of Coffeyville, Kansas; Matthew Armstrong of Prosper, Texas; and Daniel Long and wife Kaitlin of Gardner, Kansas. Muriel was also gifted with three great-

grandchildren – Alexander, Christopher, and Elliana of Prosper, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard, her parents, a great-granddaughter – Elliana Isabel Armstrong, and her sister and brother-in-law – Ellen and Howard Harman.

A family graveside service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be sent to Dewey United Methodist Church or Nowata County Historical Society Museum. Cremation arrangements were directed by Stumpff Funeral Home and Crematory.

Tribute Wall

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“ Muriel was one of the kindest, sweetest woman I ever knew. I had the pleasure of caring on her job position at DUMC when she decided to retire. She was an awesome friend, trainer mentor. I will always be forever thankful, grateful for my time spent with her. Not a day goes by that she and Evelyn Miller haven't crossed my mind. To her family we send our condolences.
Deniece Bush.

Deniece Bush - January 21 at 11:54 AM

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“ I loved taking care of Muriel when I worked there. She was a sweet lady and taught me a trick or 2



Kimberly Watkins Dyer - January 19 at 06:20 PM

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“ Muriel had such a sweet, kind soul. I will miss her beautiful smile ❤️

Vicki Nett - January 19 at 05:58 PM