

## *Obituary*

On May 2, 1925, a beautiful baby girl named Ora Lee Kemp was born in Boley, Oklahoma. She was the eighth precious child born to Edward and Bessie Mae Kemp, nine of which preceded her in death.

She loved growing up on their farm with her brothers and sisters, where she roamed the surrounding woods and hills, crossing its brooks and streams to explore, pick berries and commune with nature. One of her favorite pastimes was sewing; she was also known among family and friends as an excellent cook.

Ora graduated from Boley High School and shortly after, she, her mother, oldest sister and two youngest siblings moved to Shawnee, Oklahoma, there she did domestic work for several years to help support her mother who suffered from a debilitating neurological disease. She joined Union Baptist Church where she was a faithful member; serving in the Young Women's Missionary Society, the Senior Choir, and Director of Adult Drama Department. When the Junior Choir was formed, she organized a team of women to make robes for the choir. Ora later attended Draughn's School of Business in Oklahoma City, but had to return to Shawnee before completing the requirements to receive her Certificate of Completion.

In April 1944, Ora gave birth to a baby girl named Linda and dedicated her life to taking care of her mother, daughter and youngest sister until she finished high school. When her mother passed away in 1959, she and her daughter moved to Oklahoma City, where she continued to do domestic work for a while. Ora joined Tabernacle Baptist Church, took a few college classes but never acquired a degree.

In the summer of 1962, Ora married Edgar Bullock and to their union a son, Doyle Edgar Bullock was born. She joined her husband, who was a member of Fifth Street Baptist Church, where they served faithfully for several years. Both her husband and son preceded her in death.

In the late 1960's, Ora worked as a Teacher's Aide for Oklahoma City Public Schools, eventually working with severely handicapped children, from which she retired in May of 1987. Ora joined New Covenant Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School; was a active member of the Wildewood Hills/Heights Neighborhood Association for many years; a member of the Boley Alumni Association; joined May-