



## Blanche Viola (Salsman) Steward

January 21, 1912 - November 15, 2009

Blanche Viola (Salsman) Steward, the eldest daughter of Andrew Jackson Salsman and Myrtle Lee (Wilson) Salsman was born January 21, 1912 in Richland, Missouri.

Blanche was a life-long resident of the Richland area. She attended rural schools near Richland and worked as early as age twelve to help the family makes ends meet. She cleaned houses, provided babysitting services for many families and worked for the Warren family for several years.

Blanche was united in marriage to William E. Steward. William and Blanche married on stage during a traveling carnival passing through Lebanon, Missouri. They received \$50.00 for this act of bravery, quite a sum of money back then, which was quickly put to good use towards several months of rent. Born to this union were five children: Billy, Norma, Jack, Patsy and Ronda.

Blanche raised her family during a very difficult era. Economic times were difficult during the depression years. Throughout it all, Blanche made a loving home for her family and cherished the time spent with each and every one of them.

Mrs. Steward departed this life at 1:52 A.M. Sunday November 15, 2009 at the Richland Care Center, Richland, Missouri. Blanche had attained the age of

97 years.

Mrs. Steward is survived by three children: Jack Stewart of Richland, Patsy Ruth Maddox of Kingdom City and Ronda Lou Bacon of Springfield; three sisters: Eula Wilson and Louise Wilson both of Eureka, California and Mary Lee Finnegan of Enid, Oklahoma; 16 grandchildren; several great and great-great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, William (1978); daughter, Norma Brizendine (1993); son, Billy (1938) and brother, Snowden Salsman.

A graveside service was held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 17, 2009, at Hazelgreen Cemetery of Hazelgreen with Rev. Christopher Hendrix, Sr. officiating. Serving as escorts were Elmo Green, Matt Farris, Robert Noll, Michael Eggen, Jarred Maddox and William Maddox. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Richland.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Blanche Steward.

Online condolences may be left at [www.memorialchapelsandcrematory.com](http://www.memorialchapelsandcrematory.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Blanche Viola (Salsman) Steward*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Nan is the best Nan ever!! She smiled when she hurt, laughed when she cried and always made me feel good no matter how bad of a day I had. Our family is blessed to have had such a wonderful, caring lady in our lives for 97 years!! Not many people I know can say that they even met their great-grandma (Nan) muchless was able to have them in their life as long as I was. Nan -- you will be forever in my heart and on my mind everyday for the rest of my life. Make sure you give my dad a big hug and kiss for me. I love you both more than words could ever express!! Lots of Love -- Tee###imported-begin##Theresa Green###imported-end##*

November 19, 2009 at 05:25 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss,Blanch was a wonderful Lady,and cooked wonderful meals for Turkey Ridge school where I attended.I loved her Dearly,and what a loss we have withour her in this world,but she is in a better place now. Delores Brown Smith###imported-begin##Delores Brown Smith###imported-end##*

November 18, 2009 at 09:30 PM



“ Nanny was the sweetest and funniest ladies of old. She will always be remembered for her quick wit and wont of a good conversation. I feel blessed to have known her and honored to be apart of her life. Nanny was/is LOVED by all who were fortunate enough to know her. Her love of a good milkshake and crispy onion rings will forever bring a smile to my face...ohhhh how she loved them. I will miss our phone conversations centered around snitching on my mother and my niece Theresa, she really loved to pretend she was angry with them. I will miss her very much.##imported-begin##Shelly Wulff##imported-end##

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November 18, 2009 at 08:30 PM



“ Jack,  
We were sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. It has been a rough year for you. God Bless You!##imported-begin##Charley and Joyce Fritts##imported-end##

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November 17, 2009 at 05:52 PM



“ We are sorry to hear about the passing of Blanche. She held a special place in our hearts. She was a very loving and caring lady, and she will be missed.  
Jenna and Glenda Gan##imported-begin##Jenna and Glenda Gan##imported-end##

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November 16, 2009 at 11:09 PM



“ Elmer, I'm sorry to hear of your mother pssing. Elmer you and I graduated from Pleasant Grove school, in the Buckhorn baptist church. five boys and three girls. The last time I remember seeing you was a in Lebanon. You were taking your mother to the Dr there. About three years ago, I pray God's blessings on and yors, Norman stoll.

PS, I went to grade school under my step dad's name, Hayes. He intended to adopt I and my brother, never could get the money together.##imported-begin##Norman (Hayes) Stoll##imported-end##

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November 15, 2009 at 05:50 PM