



# Monthly Newsletter



May 2021



## EASTER SERVICE

Easter 2021 Oak Creek residents enjoyed a delicious Easter dinner and many attended the lovely Easter church service at 1:00 with Our Savior Lutheran Church. See page 7



## CRAFTS

Residents got creative with some painting this month. See page 7



## MUSICAL GUEST CURTISS CHASE

Here at Oak Creek we love our music. Thank you Curtiss Chase for coming to sing for us. We look forward to seeing you again next month. See page 7



# RESIDENT OF THE MONTH

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## MAXINE WEAVER



Dorothy Maxine Eppinger Weaver was born in Carthage, Texas on Sept 10, 1937 to William Albert and Ouida Estelle Eppinger. She had two older sisters, Antea and Betty. They lived in Carthage throughout her growing up years and she graduated Carthage High School in 1955.

After graduation Maxine worked as the “Information Operator” for a Shreveport, LA telephone company for approximately 1 year before moving to Fairbanks, Alaska where she lived for the next 15 years. While in Alaska, Maxine worked for a bank where she was robbed at gunpoint in the only successful bank robbery in the Alaska Territories. The police caught the guy several days later and Maxine had to testify at his trial, where he was convicted.

Maxine moved to the Los Angeles, California area where she met the love of her life, Ed Weaver. They were married in 1968 and shortly afterwards they moved to Saudi Arabia, where Ed supervised the building of electrical power grids. Maxine had to wear the tradition garb of long, loose robes and could not show any part of her body. On an average day the temperature was around 120 degrees.

## MAXINE WEAVER - CONT'D

Between 1977 – 1989 Ed and Maxine traveled extensively throughout Europe, France, Yemen, Emirates. One of their favorite vacation spots they often visited was in Athens, Greece, and in Cairo, Egypt they explored the depths of the pyramids and rode camels.

In 1989, due to the outbreak of civil unrest in the middle east, Ed and Maxine returned to the United States and settled in Upland, California. Here they raised their two daughters, Debbie and Deanna, and Maxine began a very lucrative career in real estate. Ed continued to travel with his job of building power lines throughout the world.

Maxine retired in 2000, and Ed passed away in 2004. After Ed died, Maxine moved back to her hometown of Carthage, Texas. Daughter Debbie and her family live in Virginia, and Deanna was here in Topeka, so in 2020 Maxine moved to Topeka to be near her Deanna.

Here at Oak Creek, Maxine enjoys reading and is a big history buff. She likes keeping up on current events, reading the newspaper, and working on crossword puzzles.

## MAXINE'S FAVORITES

### Music/Singer

Country, Elvis and Willie

### Flower

Pink Roses

### Dessert

Strawberry Shortcake

### Movie/Actor

Lawrence of Arabia /  
Henry Fonda

### Color

Blue / Pink

### Animal

German Shepherds

## With Appreciation

Thank you, Encompass  
Home Health Care for the  
beautiful planter and  
flowers.





**May is named for the Greek goddess Maia, who oversaw the growth of plants. Maia was also considered a mother, nurturer and an earth goddess.**



## March Birthdays

May 9th - Joe Polk  
 May 15th - Phyllis Silkey  
 May 15th - Rosie Smith



## Zodiac Sign:

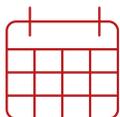
**Taurus & Gemini**

### Birthstone

Emerald

### Flower

Lily of the Valley



## May Events

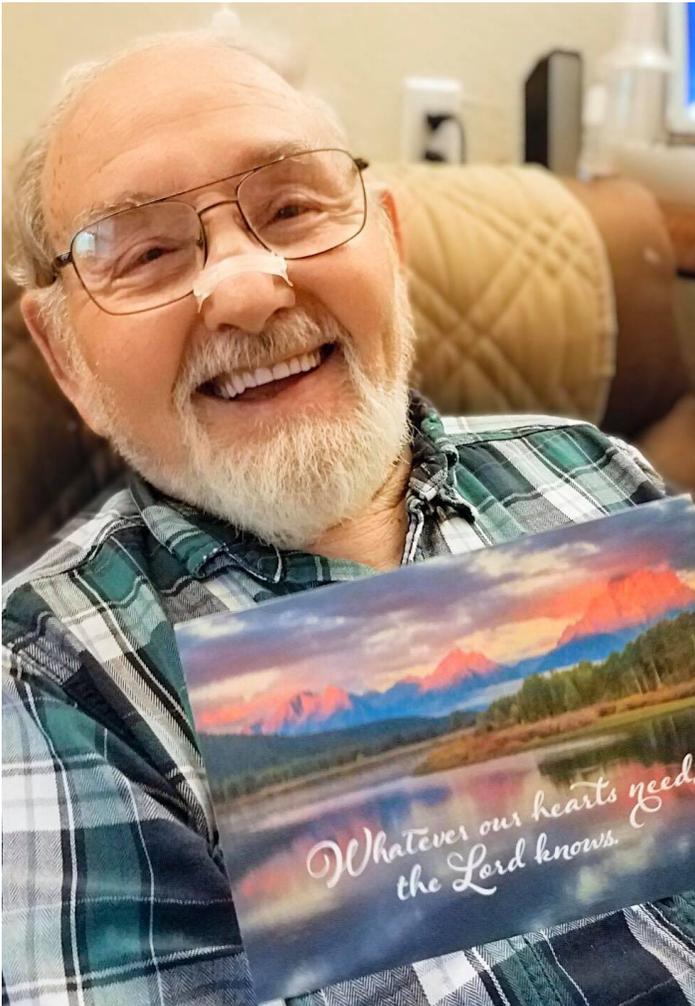
May 6/20 - Shopping  
 May 9 - Mother's Day  
 May 11 - Resident Council  
 May 13/14 - Haircuts  
 May 15 - Curtis Chase  
 May 18 - Sing-A-Long w/ Rebecca  
 May 21 - Happy Hour  
 May 25 - Podiatrist & Monthly  
 Birthday Party  
 May 28 - Library



**"If you want to see the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain."**

**Dolly Parton**

# *In Loving Memory of Virgil Lee King*



**May 21, 1934 – April 06, 2021**

Virgil Lee King, 86, passed away peacefully on April 6, 2021, at Oakcreek Senior Living with family by his side. Virgil was born on May 21, 1934, in Sardis, Oklahoma to parents Louis King and Eva Kennedy King. Virgil graduated from Buffalo Valley high school in 1952 and married the love of his life, Bonnie Kathleen McMurrian, on March 18, 1953, in Wilburton Oklahoma.

Virgil was very active in his church, The Lecompton Chapel, and the community considered him a country parson. He also was involved in prison ministry. Bonnie and Virgil were known throughout the area for their singing ministry in nursing homes and hospitals. He performed wedding ceremonies for several of his family and many friends.

He was a member of Ironworkers Local 10 of Kansas City for 36 years where he worked on many buildings in downtown Topeka as well as numerous other bridges and buildings throughout the area. Virgil and Bonnie owned and operated King Standard Service Station in Perry, Ks for 12 years. They were foster parents to multiple children and greatly impacted the lives of many foster children.

Virgil is survived by his seven children, Rickey (Susan) King, Tecumseh, Kathy (Steve) Fox Topeka, Eric King Lawrence, Brenda (Bill) Willis Lecompton, Kent (Pauline) King Perry, Twila Gayle King (Doug) Oskaloosa, and Jenny (Jeff) Brown Lawrence, 40 grandchildren, and 44 great-grandchildren and one sister, Barbara Starr.

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## VIRGIL LEE KING - CONT'D

Virgil had a strong faith in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and was looking forward to “going home” and seeing his wife, Bonnie. Virgil was known as a prayer warrior and was sought out by many for counseling and prayer requests. Virgil loved spending time with his family and being outdoors fishing and hunting. He taught his grandsons how to hunt while teaching the basics of hunter safety. Virgil and Bonnie were a huge part of working with handicapped people at Camp Adventure, near Ozawkie, Kansas. Virgil’s contagious smile will be missed by his family and many friends.

Virgil was preceded in death by his parents and wife Bonnie as well as 7 siblings.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Oak Creek Senior Living and sent in care of Chapel Oaks Cremation and Funeral Services 235 SW Topeka Blvd. Topeka, Kansas 66603. A private family burial is planned at Maple Grove Cemetery.

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## In Loving Memory of Molly



Miss Molly our beloved Oak Creek pup crossed the Rainbow Bridge last month. We will miss her so much, but are glad we got to love her while she was here. She touched each of our hearts in some way.

Her favorite spot in the whole world was on her Mama Edna's lap. Even though she was almost completely blind, she could always sniff out food, and when she found you she would dance on her tippy toes. It was so cute no one could resist.

She will be missed.

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