

Davis, Norma Joyce (Lee) | 1931-2018

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Norma Joyce Davis

Norma Joyce Davis, 86, of Decatur, died Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018, in Decatur. Funeral is 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26, at Hawkins Funeral Home in Decatur with the Rev. Gerre Joiner officiating. Burial will follow in Oaklawn Cemetery.

Family will receive friends one hour prior to service at the funeral home.

Pallbearers are Charles Roper, Jeremy York, Matthew York, John Perez, Ben Perez, Chase Sanders and Marty Smith.

Norma Joyce Davis was born Dec. 21, 1931, in Decatur, to Earnest Gomer Lee and Maggie Embrey (Brown) Lee. The Lee family lived on a farm north and west of Decatur. Norma moved to Wichita, Kan., at a young age and married Theodore Grant Davis Jr. June 13, 1965. He was in the car business, and together they acquired a number of dealerships in Kansas and surrounding states. At one time Grant owned or had interest in 10 dealerships in three different states. The Wichita dealerships still operate under the name "Davis Moore."

Before Grant's death, Norma purchased a farm on the edge of Decatur. She and Grant made improvements to the farm house and property. After Grant's death, she spent most of her time in Texas and acquired a new residence and acreage. The acquisition of the farm led her into the cattle business. She also had horses, burros, dogs, llamas, and fed wild deer and turkey.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; sisters Barbara Lee, Elfreda Garlington and Hazel Massey; and brothers Donald and Norman Lee.

She is survived by her stepson, Theodore Grant Davis III; and three stepgrandchildren.