



# Eleanor Isabell Gentry

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**E**leanor Isabell Whitehurst Gentry of Longview, TX, daughter of Vera Kirkland Whitehurst and William Stanley Whitehurst of Linden, TX, went peacefully to be with the Lord on March 14 , 2007 as her loving family stood by her side.

Isabell was a graduate of Linden High School and retired from the AT & T Corporation in Longview, TX , where she lived since 1958. During the last seven years, she lived with her daughter and son-in-law, Doris and Henry Fogle, in Chester, VA. She was a member of the Valley View Baptist Church while she lived in Longview. She was a devout Christian who loved traditional sacred hymns and took great joy in living her principles and loving her family. In addition, she was an avid fan of both the Dallas Cowboys and Texas Rangers. She had a special pride in being the wife of D. E. Gentry who had served in the United States Armed Services for 23 years. Her sense of respect and duty to her country was exceeded only by the love and devotion to her family as she cheerfully and tirelessly spent her time as wife, homemaker, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. We will all miss her so very much.

?A well-lived life and a well-loved and devoted Christian.?

Isabell was preceded in death by her sisters, Evelyn Whitehurst Spinks and Meltry Whitehurst Rainey, and brothers, J. W. Whitehurst and Davis A.D. Whitehurst. She is survived by her two daughters, two sons and one brother: Doris Gentry Fogle and son-in-law Henry C. Fogle of Chester, VA., Stanley Turner Gentry and daughter-in-law Patricia Gentry of Diana, TX, Paula Gentry Butkowski and son-in-law Charles Butkowski of Raleigh, NC, Ronald Lester Gentry of Longview, TX and brother Roy Stanley Whitehurst and wife Evelyn Whitehurst of Longview, TX.

Other survivors include 11 grandchildren: Kathy Ashy and husband Fadi, Mary Hallow and husband Greg, Jennifer Fogle, Shellie Gentry, Laura Gentry and LeAnn Gentry, Ford and Gentry Fitzpatrick, Kelly and Aaron Gentry, and Chelsea Gentry; 6



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great grandchildren: Alexander, Ryan and Christopher Ashy, Brooke and Caroline Hallow and Camryn Whittle. She is also survived by her sisters-in-law: Waisel Downing, Jewel Whitehurst, Billie Jo Gentry, Frances Gentry and brother-in-law D. H. Rainey. She had many nieces and nephews as well.

The family will receive friends at Rader Funeral Home, Longview, from 2 to 4 PM Sunday, March 18. Funeral services will be held at Valley View Baptist Church, 1602 Alpine Road, Longview, TX., at 2 PM Monday, March 19, 2007. Isabell will be laid to rest next to her departed husband, D. E. Gentry and her infant son, Stephen Harold Gentry at Waldrop Cemetery in Beckville, Panola County, TX immediately following the service.

Memorials may be sent to the Valley View Baptist Church, 1602 Alpine Road, Longview, TX 75601.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

I always enjoyed Isabell and we had many conversations through the years. We even wore the same size shoe. She inherited mine and loved them!##imported-begin##Mary Glaze Murphy##imported-end##

March 21 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Our love and prayers are with you all at this time. I do not have to tell you about your Mother.....you know what a wonderful woman, Mother, Sister, Aunt, Wife, Friend, Christian etc.she was. But others know too. Andloved and respected her. We were in Spring near Houstonvisiting Beth and family for a week and got home Sunday night. We knew she was fading and was not surprised. She is happy now with your Daddy and the rest of the family. Someday there will be a REAL FAMILY REUNION in Heaven and we will all be there for we are Brothers and Sisters in Christ. Hope they let Mike cook Brisket and Roy cook fish. I know Davis will have the fish ready. If he needs help my Daddy and Sonny Stahl will be glad to help him catch them. Meltry make Hot Chicken Salad.....now I am getting hungry and look forward to my time to join them all in heaven. Ofcourse Aunt Evelyn will decorate but she will use real flowers...no more fake silk.I am sure Grandmother Whitehurst is rocking babies....she was good at it. We love you all and you are "our family".##imported-begin##Fred & Sissy Stahl##imported-end##

March 21 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Ones,We wish we could be there with you all at this time. It was our great joy and privilege to know your parents. How blessed we have been to share such wonderful memories. May God bless and keep each of you.##imported-begin##Becky Stahl Brunwald##imported-end##

March 18 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Dearest loved ones of Eleanor Isabell Gentry, Just wanted you to know that you are in my heart and prayers. Jesus has now received your precious loved one into his presence. Eleanor would not want you to grieve for her but, instead rejoice with her because she has met her maker face to face. She is now in a much better place than any of us could ever imagine. This is only a temporary departing from her loved ones as you will see her again when you too are called home to be with Jesus. If, any of you not read the book called "90 Minutes in Heaven" by Don Piper I would encourage you to do so. It is a very inspirational book and anyone out there should welcome heaven. I had the pleasure of meeting Eleanor one time when she purchased a German Shepherd puppy from us. She was such a sweet lady and I know she will be missed by so many. Love and prayers always, Cynthia Hudman Adams###imported-begin###CYNTHIA HUDMAN ADAMS###imported-end###

March 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

tHOUGHTS & PRAYERS ARE WITH ALL THIS DEAR ONE'S FAMILY. SO SWEET OFHER DTR & SON IN LAW TO BRING HER BACK TO VALLEY VIEW BAPTIST FOR HER SERVICE. BLESSINGS TO ALL.###imported-begin###Millie Terry Harper###imported-end###

March 16 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Patty and Stan My thoughts are with you in this time of loss. I will keep you in my prayers. love Polly###imported-begin###polly mccarter###imported-end###

March 16 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Stan and family, Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time. God bless each of you.###imported-begin###Mike and June Renfroe###imported-end###

March 15 at 7:00 PM



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