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Funeral services for Edith Walker Williams, 88, of Longview, will be 10 AM Monday in the Chapel of Rader Funeral Home, Longview, with Dr. Richard Hollingsworth officiating. Interment will follow in Alpine Cemetery. The family will greet friends at the funeral home on Sunday from 3 to 5 PM.

Mrs. Williams went to be with her Lord Thursday afternoon at her residence.

Edith was born March 25, 1919 in El Dorado, Arkansas to the late Johnny W. and Cleo Bama Walker. She was very creative and loved to crochet, dabble with painting and sew. But, her most appreciated skill was her ability to cook ? no recipes ? just a dab of this and a pinch of that, and the dish was fabulous. She was an excellent homemaker and a member of the Alpine Presbyterian Church. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and friend. She was the wisest of women. Her best advice was to ?follow your heart?, ?pick your battles carefully? and ?learn from your mistakes and move forward?.

Edith Mamaw moved to Longview with her family in the 1930's, where she began attending Longview High School as a 9th grade student. The students were seated in alphabetical order, and as fate would have it, she found herself seated directly in front of the ?most handsome boy?. She said ?Hi, my name is Edith?, and that was the beginning of a beautiful love story between she and Lewis E. Williams, Sr. Papaw. At 18, Lewis proposed to Edith and went to the courthouse, where his uncle was clerk of court, to obtain a marriage license, but his uncle told him that he couldn't give him the license until Lewis' mother Claire had given her signed consent. After obtaining his Mom's consent, they were married. They moved into a small 2-bedroom home just a few hundred feet away from his birth home and they have been there since that time ? almost 70 years.

Mrs. Williams is survived by her husband of 70 years: Lewis Williams, Sr. of Longview; son: Lewis Williams, Jr. and wife Dolores of Alba; grandson: Dean



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Williams and wife Cyndi of Hallsville; granddaughters: Becky Holman and husband Walter of Austin, Brenda Haigwood and husband Scottie of Waskom, Kim Jackson and husband Mark of Marshall and Kyla Burke and husband Brad of Marshall; daughter in law: Patsy Williams; great-grandchildren: Cole and Brittney Holman, Christin and Jonathan J.C. Haigwood, Jarrett and Kerrigan Jackson, Ava Taylor Burke and Jeremy, D.J. and Crystal Williams; nieces and nephews: Patricia Bowles, Virginia Boswell, Paula Rogers, Claire Koonce, Bill Williams, Jr. and Bobby Coffee. She was preceded in death by her eldest son Johnny Taylor Williams of Marshall.

Pall bearers will be Walter Holman, Scottie Haigwood, Brad Burke, Mark Jackson, Patrick Bowles, Brad Bowles, Jeffrey Bowles, Denny Bowles, Larry Boswell, Tim and Ryan Rogers.

The family request memorials to: Heartsway Hospice, 1300 Pine Tree Rd., Longview, TX, 75604; Texas Oncology, 1300 N. 4th St., Longview, TX, 75601 or Alpine Church Cemetery Fund, c/o Barry Henderson, 3100 Airline Rd., Longview, TX, 75605



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Anonymous posted:

Bec,I truly wish I could have been there for you! I know that your Mamaw meant the world to you. She's with Jesus now for sure. May you and your family take comfort in that. Love to you and your family,~Liz##imported-begin##Liz##imported-end##

July 3 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Becky, I'm so sorry that I couldn't make visitation nor your grandmother's funeral. I really wanted to see you and hug you and still do! When Terry mentioned seeing you at the hospital, I quickly asked if he'd gotten your cell number but men don't always think about those things, do they? Terry really enjoyed seeing you. You have always held a special place in our hearts and we love you dearly. We were sorry to hear of your grandmother's passing and yet we also know her spirit lives on within you. Much love, Linda and Terry Davis##imported-begin##Linda Ross Davis##imported-end##

July 3 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Becky,Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your loved ones. We never met Mamaw but feels like we knew her from all the stories. You are lucky to have such a wonderful lady in your life.We love you!!!Love Janet, Dan, Joey, Davis, and Ryan##imported-begin##Janet fiala##imported-end##

July 2 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Lewis and family, may God Bless all of you. I love you and Edith.##imported-begin##Betty McElroy##imported-end##

July 2 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

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July 2 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Uncle Lewis and family - Our deepest condolences on the loss of Aunt Edith. She was a wonderful, cheerful spirit and was always so bright and sunny. We are truly sorry that we are not able to attend the service and be there to offer our support in person. We are thinking of you.##imported-begin##Carrie, Devin & Page Waters & Bettie Penney##imported-end##

July 1 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Becky,I just wanted to let you know that you have been on my heart and in my prayers during this very difficult time. What an honor for you to have had this wonderful lady in your life and what you have learned from her shows in your love and compassion for others. I feel as if I did know your Mawma just by knowing you.We love you and Walter,Linda, Arnold, Ashley and Lauren##imported-begin##Linda Wieland##imported-end##

July 1 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Has been ages since I or any of myfamily have been in touch with you all. I did see her Sister, Faye & S. A.& was in constant touch with hem. So miss them. The 3 Walkergirls were older than I. I treasure Memories of them! EACH WERE SPECIAL!Thoughts & prayers are for & with all this precious One's family.SHE WAS VERY SPECIAL.##imported-begin##Millie Terry Harper##imported-end##

June 30 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the wholefamily during this hard time. I wish that we couldhave all met Mamaw. She was a wonderful woman who will be missed by many...##imported-begin##Malee,Brian,Braden,and Holly Hundsdorfer##imported-end##

June 30 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

##imported-begin##Harry and Carlyne Hucklebridge##imported-end##

June 30 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Becky, I am so sorry for the loss of your grandmother, she was such a Lovely Lady, and very sweet. I have never seen two people that look so much alike as you and she did. You should really be proud of that. I talked to her a while back and she was so upbeat and she always was. I know that you will miss her.God bless you and the rest of you family. God Bless and help you with your loss of a angel! Sue Hester 5848 Tryon Rd.##imported-begin##Sue Hester##imported-end##

June 30 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Williams Family, We were so saddened to hear about Edith. She was such a wonderful person & will be greatly missed. Our hearts and thoughts are with you at this difficult time. You are in our prayers,Sincerely,Butch and Toni Combest##imported-begin##Preston & Toni Combest##imported-end##

June 28 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Lewis, We are so sad for you, but we are rejoicing for Edith, that she is home! I know that my mother, Virginia, has always cherished her aunt Edith, and her uncle Lewis, and we have all felt privileged to have been kin with you both. God bless you, and know that you all are loved by many! Christi Ream and family Virginia Boswell's daughter and family##imported-begin##Christi Ream##imported-end##

June 28 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Scotty, Brenda, Christin & John, My sincerest thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Blake##imported-begin##Blake Cammack##imported-end##

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Edith by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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