



# Eloise Strickland

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### **E**loise Strickland

Funeral services for Eloise Strickland will be held at Ten O'clock am Friday December 19, 2008 at the Chapel of Rader Funeral Home 1617 Judson Road with Jerry McCahren officiating. Graveside services will be held at 1:30 pm Friday December 19, 2008 at the Haven of Memories Cemetery in Canton, Texas under the direction of Rader Funeral Home of Longview. Mrs. Strickland passed away Wednesday December 17, 2008 in Longview.

She was born November 6, 1931 in Edgewood, Texas to Judge Dillard and Ona Martin Jacobs. She worked in customer service at J. C. Penney's and was a member of the Alpine Church of Christ.

Her greatest joy was working with Longview Habitat for Humanity, which she began volunteering with in 1998. In her nearly 10 years of service with the organization, she logged more hours than any other individual volunteer. In 2002, she was named Longview Habitat's "Volunteer of the Decade". Eloise donated nearly every Saturday to the Habitat construction sites, and worked three days a week in the Habitat Restore. From the scrap materials she found on the jobsites, Eloise built birdhouses for each of the new homeowners. She would try anything, saw potential in everything and everyone, and was a role model for many Habitat volunteers and staff.

She is survived by her children, Richard Strickland of Longview, Nancy Rittenberry and husband Norman of Duncanville, TX.; Allen Strickland and wife Tina of Longview, TX.; Jamie Austell and husband Michael of Longview, TX.; grandchildren, Michael Walker and wife Vanessa, John and Taylor Rittenberry, Emily Austell, great-grandchild, Graham Walker.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Judge Dillard and Ona Martin Jacobs



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The family request that memorials be made to Habitat for Humanity 300 W. Tyler Longview, Texas 75601

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday December 18, 2008 from 6-8pm.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

We went to church with Eloise for many years. She was a lovely lady. She gave us both one of her canes. Our prayers are with all her family that God will be with you during this time of grief.##imported-begin##George and Mary Alexander##imported-end##

December 30 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Eloise was an awesome influence to me. She and I worked many hours together at Habitat. Her endless energy and optimism was truly inspiring. She will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Susan Bickel##imported-end##

December 18 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Jamie and Mike; Allen and Tina,I was so sorry to hear of your mother's death. I'll be thinking of you all during the coming days.##imported-begin##Laura Damschen##imported-end##

December 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Though it was for a short time we were fortunate to know Mawmaw. She was a very gracious and kind lady. Our prayers are that the God of peace will rein in your lives during this time.##imported-begin##Dave & Cathey Ivey##imported-end##

December 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We want you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Bob & Sue La Bay##imported-begin##Sue La Bay##imported-end##

December 17 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Wanted you to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. May God provide you comfort during this time.##imported-begin##Randall & Melissa Ramey##imported-end##

December 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Eloise was a dear and precious person. We pray that you will find comfort in the wonderful memories she has left in our care.##imported-begin##Mark and Karla Strachan##imported-end##

December 16 at 7:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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