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Mary Stafford Dunbar, 85, surviving spouse of J.R. Dunbar, died Monday, November 16th at a local hospital. Mary was born September 26, 1924 in Bixby, Oklahoma to Harold M. and Pearl Owen Stafford.

Mary moved to East Texas at an early age. She met and married J.R. Dunbar, a member of a well-known pioneering family. Mary was a homemaker, a charter member of the Oakland Heights Baptist Church, and a member of the Thursday Bible Club.

Mary was known for her devotion and unconditional love for not only her family but to every life she touched. She was often described as a foot soldier of God who lived her life completely for the sake of others. Mary saw the best in everyone with true acceptance without judgment. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends, and those blessed to have known her.

Left to cherish her memories are her daughter and husband, Sandra and Stan Miller of Wimberley, Texas; son, James Ronald Dunbar of Longview; daughter, Kathy Lynn Jester of Longview; grandchildren: Billy Harold Allen, Jeremiah Christopher Sheehan, Dustin Matthew Mobbs, Ashley Nicole Driskell, Natalie Renea Dunbar, and Lauren Lynn Jester. She is also survived by 10 great grandchildren, Jeremy Ryan Allen, Harold Craig Allen, Summer Rain Sheehan, Jeremiah Sky Sheehan, Scarlett Starr Sheehan, Sierra Jade Sheehan, Zoe Jester, Heidi Jester, Austin jester, and Colton Jester.

Those desiring to do so may make memorial contributions to the Library or Scholarship Fund at Oakland Heights Baptist Church, 1600 Judson Rd., Longview, TX 75601.



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Graveside services will be held 3 pm Wednesday at the Rosewood Park Mausoleum Chapel with James Ray Humphries officiating. Interment will follow at Rosewood Park under the direction of Rader Funeral Home.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

We are so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. We did not see anything before today. She was a wonderful lady. I can see her big smile. We will keep you in our prayers. Lynn and Mary Shivers##imported-begin##Lynn and Mary Shivers##imported-end##

November 28 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

So sorry to hear about Mary. She was a lovely Christian lady. I was blessed to have her attend the Monday night Bible study several times in my home. This was on Clarendon across the street from her darling twin granddaughters who we learned to love. You will all remain in our thoughts and prayers. In His love, Sister and Bill Payne##imported-begin##Sister Payne##imported-end##

November 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Ronnie, Sandra and Cathy, My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I considered your mother a dear friend and loved her. She will be missed. Love, Sue Ann##imported-begin##Sue Ann##imported-end##

November 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies and love at this time of your great loss. Mrs. Dunbar always saw the good in folks and lifted the spirits of all she blessed with her presence.##imported-begin##Louis & Carol Willard##imported-end##

November 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Sandra and Family, We are thinking of you at this time. Please accept our condolences. On behalf of the Class of '61 Vivian A. Roland##imported-begin##Vivian Roland##imported-end##

November 17 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Mrs Mary will truly be missed. She touched the lives of many peoples. My deepest sympathy goes out to the family and to Mrs. Brazzle.##imported-begin##Sabrina Graves##imported-end##

November 17 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Before I ever met Mrs. Dunbar, I was told..... "She is an absolute Angel"... and she truly was. She loved everyone and everyone loved her. Her face always had that glow. I feel more than blessed to have known her and will cherish those memories always.##imported-begin##sherry haydel##imported-end##

November 16 at 7:00 PM



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

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



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