



# **Beverly Perkins Matzig**

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Beverly Matzig passed away at her home in Cedar Hill, Texas with her husband of 59 years, Bob Matzig at her side on July 27, 2013 at the age of 81. Beverly was born December 29, 1932 as the eldest child of A.T. and Celeste Perkins in Tampa, Florida. Beverly and her family moved to Longview, TX where she started 1st grade and graduated from Longview High School.

During her junior high and high school days in Longview, she taught dancing at her aunt's Shivers School of Dance. After graduation, Beverly attended Kilgore Junior College and was a Lieutenant in the famed Rangerettes dance team.

While at Kilgore, Beverly met Bob Matzig of Dallas, TX and they were married in 1954. Together they moved to Del Rio, TX and began their new life together. Beverly opened her own dance studio in Del Rio, the Beverly School of Dance where almost every local girl and even a few boys came for ballet and jazz dance classes starting at age 3.

Beverly also taught ballroom dancing at night for teenagers and adults. With the help of many kindred artists and dancers, she produced 46 consecutive dance recitals where her dance students from two generations performed for family and friends. Through her school of dance, Beverly touched many lives and with unwavering passion and much community support, she brought the arts to a remote West Texas border town, a brave endeavor succeeded.... Bravo!

After 53 years in Del Rio, where they made countless lifelong friends, Beverly and Bob moved to the Dallas area to be closer to their only child Lee Matzig.

In addition to her husband Bob, Beverly is survived by her son Lee Matzig, grandson Austen Matzig and three nephews Keith, Todd and Denny Perkins. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Mike Perkins.

The family wishes to extend a very special thank you to Ester, Allison and Jackie and



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for the loving care they provided to Beverly over the past three years. They were with Beverly in her home every day to assist and make her life better, which they did with great success.

Graveside funeral services for Beverly will be held at 11:00am, Friday August 2, 2013 at Grace Hill Cemetery, 601 W. Marshall Ave, Longview, TX 75601. Officiating will be Rev. Michael Schutz of 1st United Methodist Church of Longview.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

Bob and Lee, please accept our heartfelt condolences from the entire Powell family on your loss of Beverly. She was beloved to each one of us, and countless others. Her grace, charm, and radiant smile drew others to her almost instantly, and once someone met Beverly they didn't forget her, and will not now. Our love to you both. Sincerely, Sharon Powell ##imported-begin##Sharon Powell##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:32 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Bob and Lee, Pete and I extend our condolences to you. What a great lady she was. Much Love, Margo and Pete Rosenow ##imported-begin##Margo rosenow##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:32 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Lee and Mr. Matzig, I was very sorry to hear the news of Beverly this week. She was such an inspiration to so many in Del Rio. Pushing us all to strive for excellence. My thoughts will be with you today and in the next few weeks. Sharyn Finegan Goldman ##imported-begin##Sharyn Finegan Goldman##imported-end##

September 19 at 6:32 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Beverly Matzig touched many lives. I am sad to hear of her passing. It is impossible for me to think of Del Rio and not think of you, Lee, and of your family. You each directly affected my life and I am grateful for that. May God Bless all of you. Michael Windland ##imported-begin##Michael Windland##imported-end##

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**Anonymous** posted:

To Lee and Mr. Matzig and all family, My sincerest condolences in your time of loss. My little sis was one of Mrs. Matzig's students and was instilled with a love of dance. So much so that she was a twiler through high school and her own daughter was in her drill team at Crockett HS in Austin and later a Texas State Strutter. Our family will be praying for you all and Mrs. Matzig. God bless all of you. Vicente Cantu

September 19 at 6:32 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss! I wish I had words that could truly give comfort during a time like this, just know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. Beverly brighten many of lives in our little town of Del Rio. Lisa Zorn-Foster And Zorn family

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**Anonymous** posted:

To Beverly's Family: I am so sorry for your loss. As the days and weeks pass, and you return to life's routine, may you be comforted by our ...God and Father of our Lord... the Father of tender mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those in any sort of tribulation through the comfort with which we ourselves are being comforted by God". 2 Cor. 1: 3, 4. Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Please also find comfort in the following: John 11:11 where Jesus said, "...Lazarus our friend has gone to rest, but I am journeying there to awaken him from the sleep." Our Heavenly Father holds out the hope of the resurrection and the ability to see our loved ones again.

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**Anonymous** posted:

Beverly was a cultural inspiration to our West Texas town. In her steadfast way, her dance studio became a cornerstone in the lives of many young women, and even a few young men. It was certainly the first introduction into the French language, an opportunity to learn the importance of performance and a chance to experience creativity. Bravo, Beverly. May you forever do pirouettes. Adieu, sweet lady. Susan Rountree Schlessinger

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**Anonymous** posted:

Beverly, not only did you teach me to dance but you helped me to become a proper young lady. I can still hear you saying, "Debbie, point those toes!" Bob and Lee, my thoughts and prayers are with you. Much love, Debbie Scallorn Billings##imported-begin##Debbie Scallorn Billings##imported-end##

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**Anonymous** posted:

Rest in peace, Beverly. My deepest condolences to the family. The impact you had on me as a teacher has never been forgotten. I will continue to reflect on those days as the best days of my life. Sincerely, Jana Marie London Sprick##imported-begin##Jana Marie London Sprick##imported-end##

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**Anonymous** posted:

Miss Beverly, you were an inspiration to so many. I just know that you are dancing around in heaven with your graceful angel wings! What an impact you made on the lives of so many little ballerinas! I'm sending prayers of peace to such a wonderful family. With love, Shay Bolner Sarandos ##imported-begin##Shay Bolner Sarandos##imported-end##

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