



Betty Jean Duckworth Shirley

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Betty Jean Duckworth Shirley (Mimi), 84, of Gilmer, passed away on Sunday February 18, 2018. She was born on April 9, 1933 in Garrison, TX to Louise and Lester Duckworth. She was married to W.L. "Bill" Shirley for 63 years.

She is preceded in death by her husband Bill Shirley; granddaughter, Sara-Catherine Shirley; and brother Thomas Dan Frakes

She is survived by her children, Kathy Rasberry and husband Ron, Vicki Carl and husband Richard, and W.K. "Bill" Shirley and wife Jeanie; Grandchildren, Ronna Oldham, Summer Damuth, Richard "Mac" Carl, Blair Hiatt, Loni Admire and Spencer Carl, Stephen Oltman and Paul Oltman, Macy and Abby Oltman; great-grandchildren, Emory and Blaine Oldham, Nancy and Jack Hiatt, and Evie and Baron Harper; siblings Joy Jackson, Billie "Pete" Thomas, JoAnn Monts; and beloved pets Tiger and Duke.

Her hobbies included sewing, ceramics, and volleyball. She spent many years volunteering at Longview Regional Medical Center and participated in Senior Friends.

The family would like to thank Henson Home in Bettie, TX, a wonderful place for Alzheimer patients, as well as all the caregivers. In lieu of flowers the family requests that a memorial donation be made to either to an Alzheimer's foundation or the Hwy. 80 Rescue Mission.

A funeral service will take place on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, beginning at 11 A.M. at The Chapel of Rader Funeral Home in Longview with a committal service to immediately follow the service at Rosewood Park. The family will receive family and friends for a time of visitation beginning at 10 A.M. prior to the service.

A memorial guestbook may be signed at www.raderfh.com




Events


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Visitation

 **Wednesday**, February 21, 2018


 10:00 AM CT


 **Chapel of Rader Funeral Home of Longview**
1617 Judson Road, Longview TX 75601



Chapel Service - Longview

 **Wednesday**, February 21, 2018

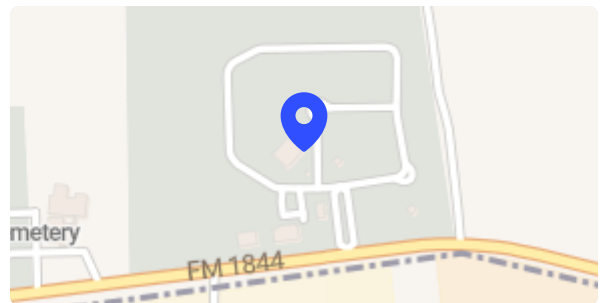
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Cemetery Details

 **Rosewood Park**
1884 FM 1844, Longview TX 75605





Tribute Wall

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C7

Celeste Boyd, 204 Lancer St. 75604 posted:

Loved your beautiful Mother very much, sorry that I was not able to attend her celebration of life, will always remember this sweet gentle lady, such a comfort to me many times ❤️👤

February 22 at 5:54 PM

LP

Leslie Paull posted:

I have many sweet memories of Mr. Bill and Mrs. Betty growing up. They were always so very sweet and supportive of all the youngsters in the neighborhood. Alta, McKinley and Ruby streets was the best place to grow up. Everyone looked out for each other. I will always remember her beautiful smile and sweet, sweet voice. Prayers for your family! Leslie Weisinger Paull

February 21 at 8:33 AM

SE

Sonja Everett posted:

Bill, I was saddened to hear of the loss of your sweet mom. I know that she will be missed by many. You and your family will be in my prayers in the days ahead. Sonja Allen Everett

February 21 at 2:39 AM

GW

Gloria Willeford posted:

Betty and Bill Shirley lived next door to me for about 25 years. They became our second family and, as families do, we shared many memories together. They were precious neighbors and I know the Betty is reunited with Bill now and happy and whole again. I pray God's peace and comfort to Billy Keith, Kathy and Vicki and to all the grandchildren who loved their "MiMi" and "Pops". Gloria Willeford

February 20 at 11:25 AM

WM

Wayne & Margaret Musslewhite posted:

Betty has been one of the sweetest friends we know. A fabulous talented homemaker. She Loved her family so so much. We enjoyed years as couples doing things. Prayers to the family. Betty has a great family they became after her role models too.

February 19 at 12:11 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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