



Mary Joyce Robertson Burks

August 9, 1926 - April 3, 2007

After a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer, our dear loving wife and mom, was greeted into heaven on April 3, 2007, after spending her last days in this life at Baylor Hospital surrounded by family. She was a generous loving Christian wife, mother, and friend to all who knew her. Mary was born in Long Beach, CA on August 9, 1926, to John Nelson and Mary Emma (King) Robertson. She grew up in San Antonio, TX, attended Texas A & I College and worked as an elementary teacher in the Corpus Christi area before marrying Ralph, the love of her life, in 1954. Due to her husband's career in the oil industry, she lived in many countries including Holland, Great Britain, and Nigeria where she dedicated herself as a homemaker. During the past 37 years in Dallas, she was an active member of the Petroleum Woman's Club of Dallas, holding many leadership positions. She was also a member of Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church in Richardson, Texas, where she served as a Deacon and was active on many other committees. She is survived by her husband of 53 years, Ralph Davis Burks; her two sons Stephen Allan Burks and Samuel Cullen Burks, both of Dallas; her two daughters and their spouses, Mary Margaret Hursin and Danny Lee Hursin of Dallas and Kathryn Kay Cross and John Cross of Los Altos, CA; and her Aunt Virgie Parsons of Umland, TX. The visitation will be held on Thursday, April 5, 2007, beginning at 6:00 PM at the Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home near McKinney, TX, Highway 75 and Exit 38 Ridgeview Drive. A private burial will be held at Hall Cemetery near Howe, Texas. The memorial service will be on Monday, April 9, 2007, at 2:00 PM at Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church, 3901 North Star Road, Richardson, TX 75082. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be sent to Baylor Health Care Systems Foundation Cancer Center, 3600 Gaston Ave., Suite 100, Dallas, TX 75246, or to the charity of your choice.

Memorials

Mary was a caring and true friend, always dependable and fun to be with. We will long remember her love for family and friends. Ours thoughts and prayers

are with the family.

JAMES/BILLIE MERRIMAN, APRIL 6, 2007

It was always such a pleasure to see Mary's smiling face, Ralph. I know how she will be missed and send my sympathies to you and your family. AmyCoxe

AMY COXE, APRIL 6, 2007

Offering my condolences to Mary's family and showing my respect for this sweet, gentle lady that I remember fondly from her days on Lundy's Lane

JANET MACK, APRIL 6, 2007

We remember Mary as one of the most caring and friendly persons we have had the pleasure of knowing. We send our deepest sympathy and cares to Ralph but know AMary is in a much better place today.

THURSTON & PAT BLAKELY, APRIL 5, 2007

Our deepest sympathy as you part with our dear friend of Lafayette, La. days. (now in Woodway Tx)

BILL/LORAIN-CHUCK &RUSS ANDERSON, APRIL 5, 2007

Our prayers and thoghts are with you and your family at this difficult time.

JIM AND TRUDY LUCAS, APRIL 4, 2007

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