



LaWanda "Ma-Ma" Lee Cooksey Rutherford

May 18, 1937 - July 27, 2014

LaWanda "Ma-Ma" Lee Cooksey Rutherford was born on May 18, 1937, in Whiteface, Texas. She died peacefully at her home on July 27, 2014.

The youngest of eight children born to Winnie and Albert Cooksey, LaWanda graduated from Whiteface High School and moved to Lubbock. On June 6, 1958, she married Bill Rutherford, and together they raised two children, Charlotte and Craig. LaWanda is survived by her husband, Bill, her daughter, Charlotte (Jay), her son, Craig (Norma), seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A devoted member of Agape United Methodist Church, LaWanda loved God, her family, and her circle of friends. Visitation will be held at Sanders Funeral Home on Thursday, July 31st, from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. A private burial will take place the following morning, Friday, August 1st, with a public memorial service at 11:00am in the chapel of Agape United Methodist Church.

The family asks that memorials be sent to Agape United Methodist Church or a charitable organization, in lieu of flowers.

Cemetery Details

Resthaven Memorial Park

5740 West 19th. St.
Lubbock, TX 79407

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Sanders Funeral Home
1420 Main Street
Lubbock, TX 79401
(806) 763-6433
director@sandersfuneralhome.com
<https://www.sandersfuneralhome.com>

Memorial Service

AUG 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

Agape United Methodist Church
13th Street and Slide Road
Lubbock, TX

Tribute Wall

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“ *Craig and Charlotte: Our thoughts, love, and prayers are with you and your family in this time of loss. Jerry and Ann Rivere and family*

Ann Rivere - July 31, 2014 at 03:14 PM

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“ *To Bill and family:
We are sorry for your loss, will keep you in our prayers.*

Larry & Loretta Downey

Larry Downey - July 29, 2014 at 06:02 PM

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“ *Clark O. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of LaWanda "Ma-Ma" Lee Cooksey Rutherford.*



Clark O. - July 29, 2014 at 03:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of LaWanda "Ma-Ma" Lee Cooksey Rutherford.*



July 29, 2014 at 12:16 PM



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July 29, 2014 at 12:14 PM



“ *Bill, Charlotte, and Craig,
I wish I had some eloquent words that would relieve the pain of your loss. I pray in time that your grief and tears turn to smiles and laughter as the memories of your mother and wife begin to flow in. I pray you are overwhelmed with peace when you realize the dedication to her church mentioned in her obituary was a tangible way to show her dedication to her Savior and she is now in His presence.*

Bill, I want you to know how grateful the Owen family is to you and LaWanda. The caring friendship that you both gave our parents will never be forgotten. You and LaWanda truly reflected a selfless Christlike spirit to Mom and Dad. Specifically in all the assistance you gave when Dad's health was failing. Our family has been blessed to have such caring neighbors and we will never forget your beautiful wife.

May God Bless Your Family,

Mark Owen

Mark Owen - July 29, 2014 at 12:05 PM