



## Sara Jo Mitchell

September 18, 1940 - December 23, 2022

Sara Jo Mitchell, 82 of Lubbock, Texas entered Heaven on December 23, 2022.

She was born on September 18, 1940 in Maud Ok, to Jack and Rosie Wallace.

Sara married Davy Jerrell Mitchell on January 29, 1961 in Morton, Texas in the First Baptist Church. The two were married for 60 years.

Sara had a love for children of all ages. She was passionate about education and reading. As a young girl, she loved to sing and dance. She spent many college nights in the SUB at Texas Tech. She loved to fellowship with friends over coffee and she enjoyed working in her yard. She loved mowing at the family horse barn and the smell of fresh cut grass. Horses have been a part of Sara's life from a young age. The smell of horses especially brought a smile to her face and warmed her heart. She taught school in Colorado for 15 years and she taught at Bayless Elementary in Lubbock, Texas for 23 years. Sara attended Eastern New Mexico University and she graduated from Texas Technological College (now Texas Tech University) with a Bachelors degree in Elementary Education in 1963.

She and her husband, Davy, have owned the Outdoorsman in Lubbock for 45

years.

Sara Jo had a passion for singing and was a member of the Sweet Adelines Show Chorus for several years. She was also a member of the Lubbock Retired Teachers Association where she served as secretary. She was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and a member of the First Baptist Church in Morton and in Lubbock, Texas.

She cherished her time with her grandsons and she loved every moment she got to spend with her granddaughter.

Loved ones include daughters Wendy (Paul) Moats and Jenny Altman; grandsons, Dusty and Dillon Moats; granddaughter, Ellie Altman; brother, Ronnie (Sandra) Wallace; and sister-in-law, Rocky Wilson.

Proceeded in death by her husband, Davy Mitchell; her parents; her little brother, John Silas (Sparky); and her stepdad, George Smith.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Sara's name, can be made to the Bayless Elementary Library. You may send your donation to Bayless Library at 2115 58th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79412. Please note Sara Mitchell Library Donation on your check OR Sara also asked that you drop off a favorite childhood book to a local elementary school library and please dedicate it to Sara Jo Mitchell.

Family visitation will be at Sanders Funeral Home Wednesday, January 04, 2023, from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Funeral Service will be 10:00 AM Wednesday, January 04, 2023 in Sanders Memorial Chapel with Josh Reglin officiating. Private family graveside services will follow in the Morton Cemetery.

Please celebrate the life of  
Sara Jo by visiting [www.sandersfuneralhome.com](http://www.sandersfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Morton Cemetery

Morton, TX 79346

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel  
1420 Main Street  
Lubbock, TX 79401

## Funeral Service

JAN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel  
1420 Main Street  
Lubbock, TX 79401

# Tribute Wall



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Sara Jo Mitchell



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**Sanders Funeral Home** - January 04, 2023 at 08:54 AM



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Sara Jo Mitchell



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**Sanders Funeral Home** - January 03, 2023 at 01:21 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your family's loss. Mrs. Mitchell was one of my teachers in 6th grade at Bayless. She taught health. Even as a child, I could tell that she really loved teaching. One of her favorite sayings was "tough toenails". May God comfort you in this time of loss.

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**Amber Parker** - January 09, 2023 at 11:28 AM

JE

*Yes!! She loved that saying! What fun memories! Thanks for sharing w us. I'm her youngest daughter. I appreciate your sweet words!*

jenny - January 09, 2023 at 08:11 PM

CM

“ *Candy Merritt lit a candle in memory of Sara Jo Mitchell*



Candy Merritt - January 04, 2023 at 03:29 PM

CM

*Sara's service was lovely. Ellie, you did a beautiful and loving job singing the song your Grandmother taught you. I know she was smiling down on you from heaven. Sending prayers of peace and comfort to the family now and the days ahead. In Christian love, Candy Merritt*

Candy Merritt - January 04, 2023 at 03:35 PM

JA

*Thank you so so much Candy!!! Love you- Jenny & Ellie*

jenny altman - January 04, 2023 at 11:03 PM

TS

“ *Jenny and Ellie, our hearts go out to you during this time. We are so sorry for your loss. Lifting you in prayer today and throughout the days ahead. We love you. Tiffany, Ally, Audrey, and Chris.*

Tiffany Spano - January 04, 2023 at 10:19 AM

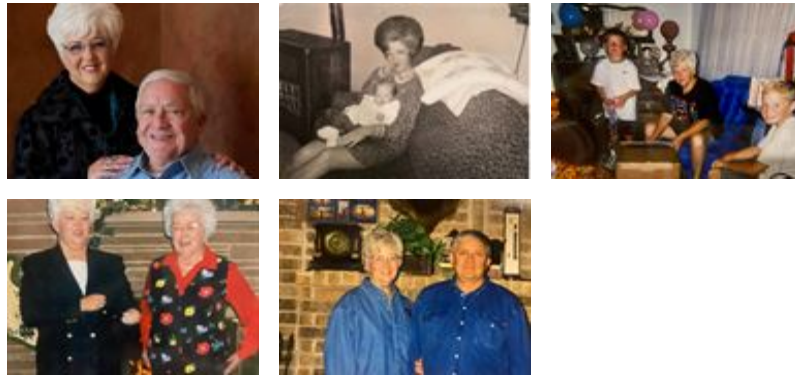
JE

*Love you friend!! Thank you!!*

jenny - January 09, 2023 at 08:12 PM



“ 76 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Sanders Funeral Home** - January 03, 2023 at 01:19 PM

MH

“ We are so sorry for your loss. I have many memories if Sara Jo and my sister when they were in college at ENMU. Prayers and comfort for the family.

**Mickey and Jane Hoyl** - January 01, 2023 at 02:35 PM

PG

“ Pete Gonzales lit a candle in memory of Sara Jo Mitchell



**Pete Gonzales** - December 31, 2022 at 10:13 PM