



Shirley Ruth Stuart

February 24, 1937 - February 15, 2024

Shirley Ruth Stuart of Lubbock, Texas returned to the Lord on Thursday, February 15, 2024. Shirley was born February 24, 1937, in Van Zandt County near Wills Point Texas. After completing high school in Carrollton, Texas she married James Stuart from Roby, Texas in 1955. In June 1957, while accompanying her husband, who was deployed with the army in Germany, the couple was graced with a daughter, Sandy Stuart (Ogletree). Upon completion of James' army service, the couple relocated to Lubbock, Texas, where she has been a resident ever since. Shortly after settling in Lubbock, two sons joined the family, Jimmy (1958) and David (1961).

Shirley and James raised a family active in youth sports, competitive baton twirling, farming and 4-H. Shirley's other passions through the years ranged from competitive water skiing to chuck wagon cookout competitions. Her later life was focused on her grandkids and great grandkids.

When Shirley relocated to Lubbock, she immediately began her work career as a bookkeeper for ARA Matador which led to three-decades of working directly for football Hall of Famer, Bobby Layne. Her love of NFL football started during those years. Her second career as the business office manager at All Saints Episcopal School began in 1984 which she thoroughly enjoyed, ultimately, retiring at the age of 75.

Following James' death in 2017, Shirley moved to Raider Ranch and genuinely enjoyed the community, residents, and staff.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, James Coy Stuart., her father and mother, Edna and Arthur Sprague, and brother Delbert Sprague of Carrollton. Keeping her memory alive remains with daughter Sandy (Stuart) Ogletree, her husband Mike Ogletree of Lubbock, son Jimmy Stuart and his wife Michelle (Pierce) Stuart of Palmetto Florida and son, David Stuart and wife Elizabeth (Simmons) Stuart of Lubbock. Grandchildren include Vanessa McBride (Jason), Bobby Stuart (Ashley) and Trey Ogletree. Great Grandchildren include Harrison and Sullivan Stuart of Lubbock. She is also survived by her beloved sister Barbara Williams of Houston, sister-in-law, Martha Sprague of Sulphur Springs and many nieces and nephews.

While impossible to acknowledge everyone that made a difference to Shirley's life, the family is especially grateful to Dr. Floyd Pirtle, the warm and caring staff of The Isles of Raider Ranch and Grayce Enhanced Hospice. The family sincerely appreciates the friendship and care of Billie Ortega.

Visitation will be held at Southcrest Baptist Church in Lubbock, Monday, February 19th at 1:00 pm followed by a Memorial Service at 2:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, a donation to the All-Saints Episcopal school is suggested.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **19**. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Southcrest Baptist Church
3801 South Loop 289
Lubbock, TX 79423

Memorial Service

FEB **19**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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