



Tommie Lou Porter

June 18, 1932 - July 26, 2024

On Friday, July 26, 2024 Tommie L. Porter completed her battle with Dementia and passed from her earthly home to be with her husband James L. Porter, her son J. Ken Porter and her sisters Marilyn Matthews, Jean Bullock and Linda Tregoe and her parents all of whom predeceased her.

Tommie Lou Matthews was born June 18, 1932 in Littlefield, Texas to Thomas L. Matthews and Minnie I. Davis Matthews. She attended Littlefield High School and graduated from West Texas State University in Canyon, Texas. She enjoyed her time in the WT band and earned her degree in education to become a teacher in Lubbock. Tommie met and married James L. Porter and established their family in Lubbock.

Tommie and James had two sons, James Kendrick Porter and Kerry Michael Porter. They raised the family in Lubbock and in Second Baptist Church where they were charter members. Tommie and James were instrumental in the ministries of Second Baptist, supporting the Lubbock Sick Childrens Clinic ministry where Tommie volunteered for many years.

Tommie and James were active with other Second Baptist families in forming and participating for decades in the Mickey Mouse Travel Club. Although the MMTC traveled little, James and Tommie did travel the world, and many times traveled with other Lubbock friends and families. They were also avid

supporters of Texas Tech Basketball - both men's and women's programs. They would drive to Lubbock from Ruidoso NM just to catch games and drive back. They seldom missed a game for many years. If you knew Tommie only as the quiet mild mannered lady she was, you never saw her at a basketball game.

Tommie was preceded in death by her husband James L. Porter, her son J. Ken Porter, her parents Tom and Minnie Matthews and by her sisters Marilyn Matthews, Jean Bullock and Linda Tregoe.

She is survived by Kerry Porter and wife Pamela, daughter-in-law Cyndy Laughlin, grandchildren Hillary Garbowski and husband Ryan, Hannah Stowe Porter, James Austin Porter and wife Hailey, Ryan Addison Porter and wife Daria, and Ashley Reagan Porter, as well as great granddaughter Grace Garbowski.

Although no public memorial service is planned, she will be interred next to her husband in the Second Baptist Church Columbarium.

Tributes to Tommie in lieu of flowers are recommended to Second Baptist Church, Meals on Wheels in Lubbock or where you live, or to Lubbock Sick Children's Clinic.

Cemetery Details

Miller Crematory

202 Avenue Q
Lubbock, TX 79415

Tribute Wall

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“ *Tommie in the center with her two sisters left Linda Tregoe and right Jean Bullock*



kerry - August 08, 2024 at 12:43 PM

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“ *My deepest regards to the Porter families, I was sadden to hear of Tommies' passing; my best memory w/ Tommies was when I first met her n her husband James when they came to live at Wilshire Place. They were a very sweet loving couple., "Rest easy Tommie, fly high w/the angels ☐💔". Estella Moore*

Estella Moore - August 04, 2024 at 07:21 PM

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“ *Photos from Kerry & Pam*



Kerry & Pamela - July 31, 2024 at 06:15 PM