



Wanda Evelyn Dodson Whitted

June 9, 1921 - March 31, 2016

Wanda Evelyn (Dodson) Whitted of San Antonio passed away yesterday, Thursday, March 31, 2016 at her home at Heartland Care of San Antonio. She was 94 years old. Wanda was born in Sweetwater, Texas on June 9, 1921 to George W. Dodson and Nellie E. (McCasland) Dodson, she was the oldest of 5 children.

Wanda is survived by her three children B.J. Harvey and her Husband John of Dallas, Marty Spence of San Antonio and Sandy Allen of Austin. Grandson's, Brett Wright & his wife Monica of Mineral Wells, Tx & their children, grand children & Great Grand Children , Michael McCrary of Austin, Stephen Hennig & wife Melissa of Georgetown, Tx., Robert S. Allen and his Wife Sally, Tanya Mace White and her husband Walter, Great Grandchildren Kristina McCrary & Roger Ramos of Rankin, Samantha McCrary Jensen and her husband Peter, Garrett Glesser and his sister Adalyn Hennig of Georgetown, Rusty Allen of Lake Dallas, Nick, Jenifer & Seth White of Springfield Missouri. Great Great Grandchildren Rylee McCrary Ramos and new baby sister Reece. Wanda was preceded in death by her Mother and father and 5 siblings. She has one remaining Sister in law Retha Dodson of Kingsland, Tx. Wanda is also survived by numerous Nieces & Nephews.

As a child, Wanda lived in San Saba, Post , Sweetwater, Lubbock & Brownfield, Tx. After she married Wanda & her husband George E. Whitted lived in Abilene , Tx in the 1940's where their 3 children were born and moved to Snyder, Texas during the 1950's. She was a member of the First Baptist

Church of Snyder and of the local Easter Star Chapter. After a brief few years in Tuba City, AZ she and her children moved to Midland, Tx. where Wanda raised her 3 daughters. During the time she lived in Midland she was a member of the Bellview Baptist Church for many years. After moving to Lubbock for a few years she later returned to Midland, owned & ran her own Square Dance apparel shop, Squares & Flares, where she made clothes of all types concentrating on Square Dance apparel. Wanda loved to Square Dance and belonged to several groups throughout the years in Midland, Lubbock, and Austin. She was one of the Charter Members of the Solo Squares of Lubbock which she helped organize in 1972. They had their 44th Anniversary Dance, Saturday Night, April 2, 2016 in Lubbock. Wanda was very proud of this club and the 6 members who started it. She moved to Austin and she retired in 1997 in San Antonio but continued her sewing in her home for friends and family. She was a member of the Shearer Hills Baptist Church, San Antonio, Tx.

Wanda was a feisty little lady although only 5' tall. Several words used by family and friends to describe Wanda are remarkable, awesome, determined and one of a kind little lady. "Rest in Peace Momma, we will miss you dearly". We want to thank the Nurses, Staff and caregivers at Heartland Care of San Antonio for taking such good care of our mother for the past 4 years, Loyd Sanders, Jr and Sanders Funeral Home in Lubbock and City of Lubbock Cemetery for their loving care of our family. In lieu of flowers the family suggests sending Gift Cards to Heartland Care Activities, One Heartland Dr, San Antonio, TX 78247.

Cemetery Details

City of Lubbock Cemetery

2011 East 31st Street
Lubbock, TX 79404

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Lubbock, TX 79404

Tribute Wall

MP

“ *It was a pleasure to have met Ms. Wanda. She met my kids before my kids had kids. She loved my son Abraham..... She just thought he was so handsome...because he is. He cut her yard several times and she was always very grateful. Ms. Wanda. ...we always knew how she felt and what she thought. Old school Baptist ... she held on to her faith and beliefs. I always admired that. Her laugh was contagious and I am sure it echoes through the heavens. RIP Ms. Wanda we shall meet again. Prayers of peace and love to the mourning family. Especially my friend Marty Spence. Much love.. Maria Paschal.*

Maria Paschal - April 05, 2016 at 04:20 PM

SD

Dear Maria, Thank you so much for posting the sweet memories about my mom, Wanda Whitted. She did speak her mind but she loved people. Especially the ones that let her be herself and loved her just for being Wanda. I miss her so much but I know she is looking down on all of us with delight. Thanks to you & your family for being her friends. Sandy, (Wanda's baby daughter from Austin)

Sandy Allen (Wanda's baby daughter) - April 09, 2016 at 08:50 AM

SF

“ *Stefanie Fox-Marin lit a candle in memory of Wanda Evelyn Dodson Whitted*



Stefanie Fox-Marin - April 04, 2016 at 10:05 AM

DS

“ I can't remember the time that Aunt Wanda wasn't there at least in the background of my life. I remember the visits to see her family when we were kids. Being one of the younger cousins and the youngest there at the time, I was thrilled when I was allowed to wear the girls' beautiful dancing costumes. Aunt Wanda was one of the most accomplished seamstresses I have ever known and to be able to inherit the girls' hand-me-downs she made was better by far than getting a 'store boughten' dress! Later on, I loved it when she would let me take a 'tour' of her beautiful square dance dresses and was always secretly jealous of the miles and miles of colorful crinoline petticoats!!!! When she and the girls came to live with us while they got back on their feet after the divorce, there were nine of us in that little three bedroom/one bathroom house. Daddy used to joke that with four teen age girls in the house, getting bathroom time was near impossible, and though the cramped quarters seemed to play on everyone else's nerves from time to time, it was like a giant slumber party to me. Aunt Wanda had this infectious cackle of a laugh and when you heard it, you knew there was fun and/or mischief afoot. Loved hearing her tell wonderful stories about when she and Daddy were kids...lots of her laughing going on then, too. She would babysit us on the few occasions Mom and Dad went out of town, usually for business conferences. I always told everyone that Aunt Wanda could see and know more about what was going on and who was doing what with her one good eye than most other mothers with two good eyes! I will never forget the day I came home from school in Midland and found her and Mom in the back yard making plaster of Paris plaques for Vacation Bible School. They had Daddy's saw horses up with boards across them and there had to have been several hundred little plaques drying in the sun. Aunt Wanda and Mom were going to make them for their class handcraft and when word got out among the other teachers, everyone else wanted them, too, so they just made them for everyone that year. It is probably the cynosure that made me realize the importance of Vacation Bible School and for many years, I also made hundreds of plaster plaques because of them. I remember that year, everyone raved about Aunt Wanda's and Mom's VBS class being the best

they'd ever seen and what a wonderful time their kids had but they didn't just have fun, they learned, too...they were amazing when they put their heads together on a project and you can bet your life it would be done to complete perfection. No slacking when those two were on the job!!! Didn't get to spend much time with Aunt Wanda in the past several decades with raising kids and all that involves, but she will always have a special place in my heart for her part in making some wonderful childhood memories. I would like to say 'rest in peace', but I just imagine there is far too much catching up to do with Muzzie and Grandad, Daddy and Mom, Nona, Weasie, and Darrell to be resting. I bet you can hear that wonderful cackle all around Heaven these days! God bless.

Donna Sue Dodson Smith - April 03, 2016 at 01:11 PM

MS

Donna Sue, you warmed our hearts with all the beautiful memories of Mom. It brought back many wonderful happy times. Thanks so much for sharing.

Marty Spence - April 03, 2016 at 09:08 PM

SA

Donna Sue It's been a few years that mom's been gone, but I had someone else from Lubbock pass away today and is going to be buried in the same cemetery as Mom is. His name is Dan Moore, Jr. I mentioned his name only because some of my other friends might read this post too.

Donna Sue, I love your sweet memories of my mother and the time that we spent in the Dodson home back during our early teens. How wonderful it was to have two more sisters and a brother and yes, it was like a slumber party except when we had to start fixing our hair for school. One bathroom was just not enough. Mom kept telling us don't spend much time in there. You know uncle Jack, and Your aunt spud need to get in too. I miss my mom and your parents too and now I will miss my friend Dan. May you all R. I. P.

Sandy Allen - October 04, 2024 at 11:26 PM

BH

“ Booth Henson lit a candle in memory of
Wanda Evelyn Dodson Whitted



Booth Henson - April 02, 2016 at 09:57 PM

TW

“ I'll always remember my birthday twin as an active, feisty lady who lived life to the fullest!! She shared memories of my Grandmother Billy, whom she knew throughout childhood, and whom I never met. Wanda will be missed, and I am so happy she was part of my life!! Hugs, love and prayers to Sandy, Marty and Billy.

Tanya White - April 02, 2016 at 07:05 PM

CM

“ I first met Ms Wanda in the 90's when she offered to do some sewing for my husband. Later when she found out that I did massage therapy she became a regular client. She would take the VIA Trans to the office and during each session would share her knowledge of natural and homeopathic healing remedies. She became a role model for me in staying away from traditional pharmaceuticals! She was vibrant and very healthy from having regular chiropractic treatments, healthy eating and a "knowing" that what she was doing was right for her body! When she spoke of square dancing her eyes would light up the room! Thank you Ms Wanda for touching my life!

Many blessings to the family and loved ones that Ms Wanda has left behind. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers during this time of your great loss.

Much love,

Carol

Carol Masters - April 02, 2016 at 05:09 PM

JH

“Princess” Wanda was such a pleasure to know. Her spirit was sweet, humor was witty, and it set her apart from others in a very special, loving way. Oh, how she loved her three daughters!!! Family was very important to her. I remember when Wanda, Marty, and Sandy came over to our house for a Fourth of July dinner. It was great to see Wanda get up and dance!!!! We had a wonderful time!! When I saw her last in Feb., 2016, we had such a good time talking about our families, looking at pictures of our little grandson, laughing, and sharing good times as she ate the chocolate covered Ritz crackers I brought for her. Gary and I will miss her, but we know we will see her again in Heaven sooner than later. I am sure she is square dancing and laughing in Heaven. Rejoice!! Her 94 years (almost 95) on earth, was great, but her forever time in Heaven is even grander.
Joy and Gary Hoover, neighbors in S.A.

Joy and Gary Hoover - April 02, 2016 at 03:07 PM

CM

“ Carol Masters lit a candle in memory of Wanda Evelyn Dodson Whitted



Carol Masters - April 02, 2016 at 01:46 PM

TG

“ Condolences, Marty, on the passing of your Mother, from Shelley and I. She was a joy to talk to, and she will be missed.

Terry Glaser - April 02, 2016 at 12:51 PM

GD

“ *Garlon`s family Frances, Kay, Greg, Larry and Dale purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Wanda Evelyn Dodson Whitted.*



Garlon`s family Frances, Kay, Greg, Larry and Dale - April 02, 2016 at 12:18 PM

LM

“ *Several years ago before Wanda became a Heartland resident, she spent a short time in a rehab center recovering from a bad fall. As her SA friends and neighbor's Chuck and I were invited to gather in her room for her June birthday. Knowing her history with square dance, I thought we might cheer her with a little square dance review. So Marty brought her "Squares and Flares" red dress and Chuck was able to play some square dance tunes from his phone. Wanda was seated in the center of the room with her visitors all around her. As the music began we all clapped to the beat and Wanda beamed in recognition and nodded her head to the familiar and beloved tunes. And as we watched she stood up from her chair and with Chuck's help the two of them made some "moves/turns" with the dress draped over her shoulders, and a huge smile. There were a few moist eyes but it was the perfect example of Wanda's spunk and "I CAN" life. I am sure that this same lady made it through some tough times in her life with God's help and Grace...and because of her "I CAN"!*

Lynne Mulliner - April 02, 2016 at 11:53 AM

KR

Lovely post

kristin.lynne.hill@gmail.com - April 02, 2016 at 03:39 PM

DH


“ I will always remember Wanda driving her giant boat of a car. You could barely see her behind the steering wheel.

Damon Howze - April 02, 2016 at 10:47 AM

CH

“ I remember Wanda's little chuckle and smile, each time that we met! She will be missed!!!

Also I remember her helping me to alter some of my clothing!!!! She was a very creative and talented seamstress! Again, her sweet little laugh/chuckle rings in my heart, as we would talk and as she marked my clothing with her pins!!! She was always a delight to me!!! ...Bring Happiness and Laughter!!!

Marty, God's Blessings to each of you, as you celebrate your mother's life!!! May you find Peace, Love, Laughter, and Comfort as you share in the memories of Wanda!!! 

Cheryl - April 01, 2016 at 09:53 PM

SD

Cheryl, Thank you for sharing these special words about our Mother. She was very special ! (Marty's little sister, Sandy)

Sandy Allen (Wanda's youngest daughter) - April 02, 2016 at 04:19 AM

SF

Reading Ms. Wanda's obituary made me smile because "feisty" is exactly how I knew her. She was a serious business woman who knew exactly what she wanted. I thoroughly enjoyed her! BJ, Marty and Sandy my sincere condolences to each of you. You were so lucky to have her.

Stefanie Fox-Marin - April 04, 2016 at 10:04 AM