



Bernice Mathews

April 15, 1922 - June 16, 2008

Bernice Mathews, born April 15, 1922, ended her brief sojourn on earth, when she was called by the Savior to her eternal home June 11, 2008. She is celebrating a joyous homecoming with those who have gone on before her including her husband of 67 years, Carl A. Mathews, her mother Minnie Lowry Adams, father Obe Langley, brothers; Odel Adams and Willard Langley, sister Lucille Adams and much loved grandparents Wiley Ezekiel and Susan Elizabeth (Betty) Lowry. Left behind to follow later are daughter Larue and husband D. W. (Buddy) Smith, son Don Carl and wife Regina Mathews, grandchildren; Shawn Carl Smith of Houston, April Kay Smith, Don Carl Mathews II, John C. Mathews and Aaron M. Mathews all of Huntsville, along with one great grandchild Aiden Smith Perez. Bernice was gifted not only in the smaller things, such as her artistic talents in oil painting , interior decorating, and catching tricks at the Bridge table but also in ancestry leading back to earliest Virginia as well as the first settlers of what is now Walker County Texas. Much more importantly she was gifted with the ability to love much . At the end of the day whatever the issue and despite the occasionally bluster or blunder emanating from a colorful personality, her innate humility shone through as she left herself behind and ministered to those she loved. Bernice's essence was the love of Jesus, the Christ who she trusted as her Savior, Lord and Master. A special word of thanks and love to Hattie Irving for her nearly fifty years of dedication and love to Mrs. Mathews and the entire family. Also a word of thanks to Ruth Halley and Dr. Tom Cole, Jr. for their

loving care and attention to Bernice in her declining years. Visitation will be held at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home from 12 to 1:30 PM Monday June 16, 2008 with services immediately following. Mrs. Mathews' earthly remains will then be interred beside her husband at Mayes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery in Huntsville. Donations to First Baptist Church of Huntsville are suggested in lieu of flowers. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bernice Mathews*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *To Larue, Buddy and family...Gary and I are so very sorry about the loss of your dear Mother. It was a pleasure to have known her, and to have listened to her many childhood memories, and the wonderful life she shared with her husband Carl. She surely touched the hearts of so many people, especially mine....May God bless you and your family at this difficult time...Mr. Mrs. Gary Prososki*

Gary and Pat Prososki - June 17, 2008 at 10:36 PM



“ *I am very sorry I missed the service for your mother. I had gone out of town on Thursday and didn't return until last night and was unaware of the timing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. She was always a sweet lady to me and will be missed.*
Mike

Mike O'Bannon - June 16, 2008 at 05:16 PM



“ *Don, Regina and Boys. We are sorry to learn of your mother's death. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

Joyce and Jimmy Merchant - June 16, 2008 at 01:02 PM

VC

“ Don, your parents and family were very special to myself and my parents-Ralph and Mary Alice Davis. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. It is a strange feeling to have lost both parents. Just know that they are now together in heaven.
Fondly, Vicki Davis Christopher

Vicki Davis Christopher - June 14, 2008 at 08:02 PM

NJ

“ To the Matthews Family, we are sorry for the loss of your mother. She and Mr. Carl were so nice to me while I was the Alumni Director at Sam Houston State (1977-1992). They were both as asset to Walker County. Norma Dell and Jerry D. Jones of Lovelady.

Norma Dell & Jerry D Jones - June 14, 2008 at 09:22 AM

HB

“ To the Mathews Family, I just wanted to let you know that ya'll are very special to me, and I am thinking about you. I will keep all of you in my prayers, and again I send my condolences. Love, Heddi

Heddi A. Bonham - June 13, 2008 at 12:46 PM

BN

“ Larue & Buddy,
So sorry to read about your Mother. My sympathy to your family.
You will be in my prayers in your time of loss.

Beverly Conner Niederhofer - June 13, 2008 at 11:11 AM

AA

“ Don, we are sooooo very very sorry to hear of your loss - your mother was a great lady - we feel blessed and have enjoyed having the priviledge of being able to know her during her time here on earth - we wish you and your family the very best.

*Sincerely
Alan & Julie*

Alan & Julie Ashworth - June 13, 2008 at 09:14 AM

DH

“ Dear Mathews Family,

I am so very sorry for your loss. Your friends and church family are praying for you during this difficult time.

Donna Haney - June 12, 2008 at 09:37 AM