



Emma Oliphant Douglas

June 24, 1938 - October 5, 2019

Reflections of Emma Oliphant Douglas

Emma Oliphant Douglas was born to the late Eddie and Mattie Mae Oliphant on June 24, 1938. She confessed her love of Christ at an early age and continued her Christian walk throughout her life. For the last two years, she was under Watch Care, at Ministry of Light Church Huntsville, Texas. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers; one sister and one grandson, Timmy Oneal Freeman.

Emma retired after thirty plus years at Mainland Medical Center Hospital in Texas City, Texas, where she was often recognized for her tremendous compassion and excellent patient care. A friend and giving person to all who knew her, Emma's style was unparalleled. When Emma walked into a room, all eyes were on her! An avid collector of stylish hats, no one could wear them or walk gracefully in a pair of heels like Boss, as she was affectionately known. Her unique talent of making everything she did look easy extended to her joy in cooking delicious meals, decorating her house, working in her yard, and shopping.

She was a beloved Mother to five girls, all of whom she worked very hard to provide for. She loved seeing them happy, could recognize their voice in a crowd, and always expected them to do what was right and look their best.

Emma also loved spending time with her grandchildren who were her pride and joy! She enjoyed making each of them feel special. She often cooked their favorite foods and spent hours catching up on what was happening in their lives. She ended each visit or conversation with them by saying “I love you” and reminding them to “always keep your hand in God’s hand.”

After her illness caused her to slow down, she enjoyed talking on the phone and visiting with her friends and siblings. In her final years, she cherished the time spent visiting with her faithful and loyal sister, Eddie Mae Vaughn.

She is survived by her five daughters from a former marriage to Oneal Perry: Patricia Ann Phlegm (Michael), of Huntsville, Texas; Rev. Anne Perry Warren (Samie) of The Woodlands, Texas; Kay Fisher (Milton); and Fay Levias (Oscar), both of Huntsville, Texas; Vernell Perry (Mother) of La Marque, Texas; two sisters, Eddie Mae Vaughn; Mildred Handy (Bobby), both of Huntsville, Texas; two brothers, Lou Oliphant (Jodie), and Booker T. Oliphant (Joyce), both of Houston, Texas. Emma leaves a legacy of nine grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and a host of relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Grant Colony Cemetery

Grant Colony Cemetery Rd.
Huntsville, TX 77320

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340
(936) 291-7300
belinda@shmfmh.com

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Tribute Wall



“ *Emma Oliphant Douglas*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Our love and compassion to Vernell and the Oliphant family.*



Janice Leggett - October 19, 2019 at 01:21 PM



“ *Our sincere condolences to you and the family during this time. So sorry we couldn't be there with you today. May God give you perfect peace and comfort in the days ahead. Isaiah 26:3*

Marcus and Kay

Marcus and Yolanda Davis - October 12, 2019 at 04:26 PM



“ *Esther Williams lit a candle in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas*



Esther Williams - October 12, 2019 at 06:46 AM



“ *May God Comfort you with His Perfect Peace! Many prayers are sent from your Fullwood Family! Continue to trust in God and cherish the time that He has granted you to be with you loved one.*

*Love,
Fullwood Family*

Elijah Gage II - October 11, 2019 at 10:28 PM

EW

Cousins,

Weeping may endure for a night but joy comes with the morning light. We loved her but God loved her best and decided that she needed her rest. My sincerest condolences to each and every family member. I love you all. Cherish the memories!

Esther Williams

Esther Williams - October 12, 2019 at 06:44 AM

TF

“ *The Cherry Family lit a candle in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas*



The Cherry Family - October 11, 2019 at 06:11 PM

SR

“ *May God comfort your hearts as you go through this difficult time 🙏
Sheila Wright Roundtree*

Sheila Wright Roundtree - October 11, 2019 at 05:05 PM

KF

“ Sorry for your loss Kay and family. How the heavens have been enhanced by the addition of your lovely Mother. May you feel the warmth of His loving, comforting arms throughout the years. Much love...Kathy Smith Farris

Kathy Farris - October 11, 2019 at 04:54 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Emma Oliphant Douglas.



October 11, 2019 at 02:54 PM

Andre Levy

“ Prayers and Strength to the Family. Our sincerest condolences!



Andre Levy - October 11, 2019 at 12:13 PM

BW

“ My condolences to the family may god bless each and everyone of her children



Brenda wade - October 11, 2019 at 11:51 AM

DS

“ Donna Simmons purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Emma Oliphant Douglas.



Donna Simmons - October 11, 2019 at 11:13 AM

CG

“ Cathy Gower sent a virtual gift in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas



Cathy Gower - October 11, 2019 at 07:56 AM

CG

Losing a matriarch of your family is so difficult, but know to watch for those special signs to let you know she is still watching over you...a beautiful butterfly, a gorgeous cardinal or just noticing the scent of her perfume at your most needed times.

*Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.
Jimmy and Cathy Gower*

Cathy Gower - October 11, 2019 at 08:01 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Emma Oliphant Douglas.



October 11, 2019 at 07:56 AM

H1

“ HHS Class Of 1976 lit a candle in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas



HHS Class of 1976 - October 11, 2019 at 06:26 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Emma Oliphant Douglas.



October 10, 2019 at 07:15 PM

CC

“ Vernell you and your family have my deepest sympathy during the loss of your mother.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4.

Love Always, Denise Caldwell-Hall

Cheryl Caldwell-Hall - October 09, 2019 at 11:21 PM

RI

“ My Prayers and Deepest Condolences to Vernell and the rest of your Family 🙏❤️🌹



Rodney Gary III - October 09, 2019 at 10:20 PM

CL

“ *Carla Lynch lit a candle in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas*



Carla Lynch - October 09, 2019 at 09:06 PM

GJ

“ *Condolences for Lamarque Class of 80
Love you Vernell Perry*



gail jackson - October 09, 2019 at 09:04 PM

GJ

“ *Gail Jackson lit a candle in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas*



gail jackson - October 09, 2019 at 09:02 PM

MH

“ Mrs. Oliphant-Douglas. I had not seen you in a very long time, but I remember your beautiful face and proud to be a friend of your beautiful daughter and my classmate, Vernell. May you rest in heaven and I extend my condolences to your entire family.

Mona L. Hightower

Mona Hightower - October 09, 2019 at 08:50 PM



ZS

“ Mother, even though I never formally met you, I feel as though I've known you for a long period of time via Vernell. You lived a Beautiful life, to God be the Glory. May you rest in Peace! Love Zonia

Zonia Wilturner Smith - October 09, 2019 at 04:03 PM

CS

“ Wishing you comfort in your memories during this difficult time, while celebrating an amazing life of Boss lady Emma. Praying for you Vernell

Cassandra Jenkins Shepard - October 09, 2019 at 11:25 AM

CO

“ Colby D. Oliphant lit a candle in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas

Colby D. Oliphant - October 09, 2019 at 10:15 AM



DL

“ God bless your family praying for Jesus comfort that only he can give.



Dorothy Jenkins Lewis - October 08, 2019 at 11:52 PM

KD

“ Kayla Duerer lit a candle in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas



Kayla Duerer - October 08, 2019 at 05:44 PM

MH

“ M Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Emma Oliphant Douglas



M Hyvl - October 07, 2019 at 11:11 PM



“ *To the family of Cousin
Emma Oliphant Douglas*

*May God the father bless you
May God the Son keep you
May God the Holy Spirit give
You peace. We will continue to
Pray for all of you.
Naomi Oliphant Washington and family.*

Naomi Washington - October 07, 2019 at 10:47 PM



“ *Gayle Spears Kelly lit a candle in memory of
Emma Oliphant Douglas*



Gayle Spears Kelly - October 07, 2019 at 09:45 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I will be praying for
you and your family. May God give you
peace, comfort, and rest. Love you Kay. Love,
Donna Robinson Paschall*



Donna Robinson Paschall - October 07, 2019 at 09:14 PM

RS

“ I would like to send my condolences to Fay Levias and family. Although I didnt know your mom personally, but by me getting to know you I know she had to be an amazing woman of God. Your uniqueness,generosity, giving spirit, intelligence, gracefulness, professionalism, wardrobe, but most of all your love for family and friends stems from strong roots. Ms. Douglas, thank you for the birth of my great friend Fay. Although, Ms. Fay you will miss the physical presence of your mom, always remember she is spirit now and spirit can't die. She is more with you now than before. Remember the great things you and mom did together. Laugh, cry its okay. May God's Holy Spirit comfort your heart and strengthen you doing this time. You and your family are in my prayers. I love you Ms. Fay. Special Friends for LIFE... Rosie Spivey and Family.

Rosie Spivey - October 07, 2019 at 08:05 PM

TC

“ My deepest sympathy to the Family and especially my sister-in-love Fay Levias. Love & Blessings: The Levias&Cauley Families.

Theronda Cauley - October 07, 2019 at 07:53 PM