



Freda D. Spencer

October 8, 1916 - February 10, 2005

Freda Denton Spencer 1964 – 1997 HHS Employee Mrs. Spencer, 88, passed away the 8th. day of February, 2005. She was born Gladys Freda Denton, October 8, 1916 in Wood County, Texas, the only child of Julius Felix “Jack” and Edna Mae (Hudson) Denton. Survivors include daughter Jody and husband The Rev. Timothy Paul Perkins of Arlington, Texas, daughter Janie and husband Gary Joyce of Huntsville, grandchildren Christopher Brendan “Kit” Perkins of San Marcos, Clare Elise and Spencer Geoffrey Perkins of Arlington, step-granddaughter Jennifer (Joyce) and husband Kurt Wofford of Katy, step granddaughter Dr. JoLynn Joyce of Fort Collins, Colorado, and step great grandchildren Otto and Ivan Wofford of Katy. Ms. Spencer graduated from Elkhart High School in 1932 and Alpha Chi from Sam Houston State Teachers College in 1935 with a B.S. degree. Upon graduation she became the secretary to Dr. T. S. Montgomery in the education department at SHSTC. During WWII Freda became an accountant with an oil company in Louisiana. After the war she and her first husband moved to Houston, opening the “Try Us Café”. She returned to Huntsville from Houston in 1964. She served as secretary to the principal of Huntsville High School from the fall of 1964 until her retirement in 1987. After one month of retirement, she returned to a part-time position as bookkeeper at the high school which she maintained until 1997. Ms. Spencer was preceded in death by her parents and spouses, Wade King Harper and Jesse Joe Spencer. The family will receive friends 5:00-7:00 pm Wednesday evening at the funeral home. Services are Thursday at 11:00

am in the Chapel of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Adickes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2024 South Collins Arlington Texas, 76010 or Huntsville High School Athletics Boosters.

Tribute Wall



“ *Freda D. Spencer*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Janie, you are in my thoughts. I pray blessings over your family during this time.*

Jackie Hartman - February 10, 2005 at 04:33 PM



“ *Janie, May you feel God's arms wrapped around you as He comforts for the loss of your mom. We all have great memories of your Mom and her laughter and trying to keep us girls out of trouble! Her smile I see in your smile!! You are a special woman because of your strength and perseverance....and your mom! I love you Janie. Give Jody a big hug and know that you are in my prayers and thoughts.....Love ya, GINNY*

Ginny Garcia Mayes - February 10, 2005 at 03:31 PM



“ *Dear Freda's Family,
What fond memories I have of Freda from when she was at Huntsville High School. She was so helpful ,so knowlegable and so intelligent! (And spunky, too!)
My condolences to her family, especially to Jo Lynn (Joselinda) who was so enthusiastic in my Spanish classes.
Sincerely, Susan Sanders*

Susan Sanders - February 10, 2005 at 10:09 AM

SH

“ Jody and Janie,

My prayers are with you during this sad time, and will be with you as well in the coming days. I know that your sweet mom is in a better place, and I hope that you are lifted up by all the wonderful memories.

*Love,
Stephanie*

Stephanie Stallings Hoefar - February 09, 2005 at 07:30 PM

VW

“ *As soon as I met you Janie, and ever since then, it is obvious that you are a deeply caring and kind person. I am sure you were a blessing to your mother and that her sweet nature was reflected in the Janie I know today. You and your family will remain in my thoughts and I pray God's comfort upon all who knew your mother.*
Love, Van.

Van Wiesner - February 09, 2005 at 03:52 PM

ED

“ *Janie, may I extend my heartfelt sympathy to you and your family during this time of sorrow. I know that you have nurtured and cared for your mother as she once did you, and that has earned you a spot in her heaven. Just know that we all care about you, and join with you in this time of mourning.*
Love, Emily DeFrance

Emily DeFrance - February 09, 2005 at 02:48 PM

MN

“ *Janie, I extend sincere sympathy for you and your family on the loss of your mother. I know how difficult this time is for all of you who loved her so much. I know you treasure the many years of special times, laughter, and love shared with her. Those we love never truly leave us, they live on in the memories of special times shared.*
Love, Mary Nichter

Mary Nichter - February 09, 2005 at 02:12 PM

LG

“ *Janie:*

I'm so sorry for the loss of our dear Mrs. Spencer. I learned so much from working with her at the high school by observing her loyalty to her principal. She was wonderful to work with.

Our thoughts are with you.

Linda Grigsby

Linda Grigsby - February 09, 2005 at 01:59 PM

AH

“ *Janie,*

Please accept my condolences on the loss of your mother. This is a difficult time for you and your family; and I pray that each of you finds the strength to get through it. Although I did not know your mom, I am sure a lot of her is in you, and I get to see it every day. Take care, and please know that my prayers and thoughts are with you.

Anthony Harris

Anthony Harris - February 09, 2005 at 12:28 PM

LC

“ *Janie, please accept both Dr. Creighton's and my condolences on the loss of your mother. It's like losing ones best friend. Please know she's in a happy place. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Our best to you, Dr. Ted and Linda Creighton*

Linda Creighton - February 09, 2005 at 11:06 AM

SH

“ *Janie,*

I was very sorry to hear about your mother. As it is a terrible thing to lose a parent the comfort is knowing that God gave her to you for all these years and now she is back Home. I am sure that your mother has left you with many memories and that is what you need to hold on to. It is the memories that make each passing day a little easier.

Love Susan

Susan Hayes - February 09, 2005 at 10:43 AM

SH

“ *Janie, I am so sorry to hear about your mother. I know that my grandmother has welcomed her with open arms in Heaven. They are laughing and talking about all each others family right now. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Love you bunches!!! Sherry Hirsch*

Sherry Hirsch - February 09, 2005 at 10:36 AM

CB

“ *Janie*

*I was so sorry to hear about your mom. I know you will miss her greatly, but have many wonderful memories to remember her by. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.
Love, C.W. Cynthia, Katie and Kristie*

Cynthia Barker - February 09, 2005 at 10:17 AM

BP

“ *Janie-*

What a wonderful person your mother must have been to have done so many things not common to women of her day! No wonder you have the strong pioneering spirit that you do--it's inherited. Your mother died on the same day as my mother, one year later, and though the pain is still there (it's even hard to write this now), I know I cry for my loss--not hers. This prayer helps me in the most painful of times:

May the love of God enfold me; may the power of God protect me; may the spirit of God watch over me; wherever I am, God is.

*With love,
Barbara*

Barbara Polnick - February 09, 2005 at 10:12 AM

RR

“ Janie,

I did not know your mother personally, but had become fond of her through our talks about her. I know you provided much care and nurturing for your mother and she must have appreciated that very much. My prayers are with you and your family.

*On the wings of death and sorrow, God sends us hope for tomorrow
And in His mercy and His grace,
He gives us strength to bravely face,
The lonely days that stretch ahead
And know our loved one is not dead,
But only sleeping and out of sight
In that land where there is no night*

--Helen S. Rice

Love,

Rebecca A. Robles-Piña

Rebecca A. Robles-Piña - February 09, 2005 at 09:41 AM

DM

“ Janie

I am so sorry for your loss! I can only imagine how you feel, my heart is heavy for you. I have so many wonderful recollections of your mom, she was always so good to me; what a special lady! You and she have had such a special bond, just think of the memories you have. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Debo & Keith Morgan

Deborah Stallings Morgan - February 09, 2005 at 09:12 AM

DY

“ Janie,
We were so sorry to hear of the loss of your Mother. It is so very hard to let go of those we love so deeply but I'm glad you have all of the wonderful memories of her. She was a great person! Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Love you,
Pursley and John

Debbie Pursley Youens - February 09, 2005 at 08:47 AM

DD

“ Janie, I am so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a grand lady and will be missed by so many. May your precious memories help you through the rough days. Our prayers are with you and your family. We love you. Mo, Pat, Kathryn and Michael Durkin

Debbie Mo Durkin - February 08, 2005 at 10:57 PM

KS

“ Janie and Family,

I was so sorry to hear about your Mom. Fred will definitely be missed by all. She may be gone here from earth, but she leaves many, many memories we all can cherish. I have just one thought...I wonder what her and Daddy are talking about? My thoughts and prayers are with you always. We love you, Kim, Chris and Michael Sutton

Kim Sutton - February 08, 2005 at 10:12 PM

KS

“ Freda D. Spencer

Kim Sutton - February 08, 2005 at 10:06 PM

TS

“ *Janie,
I am so very sorry to hear about the loss of Fred. She was such a great and loving person. I know you will miss your daily visits with her. Just remember the great times you had with her. Her listening to our good and bad times. She was a very special person to me. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love
Thressa, Jay, Brandon & Ashley Skidmore*

Thressa Skidmore - February 08, 2005 at 03:30 PM

NT

“ *Fred, thanks for so many, many things--for being a good Mom to Janie and Jodie; a good grandmom; a good friend and especially the long, hard hours of dealing with people in the education world. We all loved you! Norma Dell and Jerry*

Norma Dell & Jerry D. Jones Lovelady, TX - February 08, 2005 at 09:57 AM