



Itha L. Otis

September 8, 1917 - December 13, 2009

Funeral services for Itha Lorena Heatly Otis, 92 , of Huntsville, will be held at 2:00 p.m. on December 13, 2009 at First Baptist Church in Huntsville. Burial will follow in Adickes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery. Rev. Carroll Williams will officiate, assisted by Rev. Reagan Cooksey. Mrs. Otis died Friday, December 11, 2009 in San Augustine, TX. Itha Lorena Heatly Otis was born in Mart, Texas on September 8, 1917. She had a twin sister, Etha Grace Heatly Hendly who preceded her in death. She was married to Frank Otis for 51 years and resided in Huntsville for more than 70 years. She was an active member of First Baptist Church since the early 40's. She retired from Huntsville ISD in 1985. She is preceded in death by her husband, Franklin H. Otis Sr.; son, Franklin Howard Otis, Jr.; sisters, Essie Hurd and Etha G. Heatly Hendly; and brother, Marlin Watlington. She is survived by her daughters, Mary Yarbrough, Patsy Dickey, and Margaret and husband, Gilbert Lucas; grandchildren, Teresa Dickey, Jennifer Smith, Bill Otis, Trey Otis, Blyndia Yarbrough, and Howell Yarbrough; great-grandchildren, LeAnne Smith, Lori Smith, Joshua Rogers, and Daniel Rogers; great-great grandchildren, Kallie Smith and Ely Smith and daughter-in-law Yvonne Otis. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Twin Lakes Care Center Alzheimer's Support Group, 451 S. El Camino Crossing, San Augustine, TX 75972 or First Baptist Church Scholarship Fund, 1229 Ave S Huntsville, TX 77340. Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, TX is in charge of arrangements. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmf

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Tribute Wall



“ *Itha L. Otis*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I will always keep the family in my prayers. Nana touched my heart in so many different ways, I will remember her forever. She always had a smile on her sweet face when I saw her. I know she is with her husband and they are walking hand in hand again. God bless the family and always remember her as a very special, sweet and loving lady.*

Wanda Moss - December 24, 2009 at 04:22 PM



“ *To Itha's Family:
I am sorry for your loss, you all are in my thoughts. May these scriptures bring you hope and comfort. John 5:28.29
Revelation 21:3.4*

Dorothy Jackson - December 15, 2009 at 12:10 AM

DM

“ I am so sorry to hear about Ms. Itha's passing. As a child I remember her being such a character. MANY years ago I was in a store and I overheard the man behind the counter talking about how they had messed up some printing on some jackets Ms. Otis brought in. I remember asking him if they belonged to Itha Otis and when he replied "why yes", I told him I was getting out of there before she got back and he had to tell her he'd messed up her jackets! :)I always thought of her as a real "pistol". She could always make me laugh! God Bless all of you and I will say a prayer for you...for it is not Itha we cry for, but for ourselves without her.

Dawn (Bradley) Moore - December 14, 2009 at 04:01 PM

JB

“ Patsy, I am so sorry for your loss. I pray God will give you and your family comfort and peace during this time. Dorothy also sends her love.

Janice Bloodgood - December 14, 2009 at 03:49 PM

JA

“ Brother Carrol hit the nail on the head at the service when he said that Mrs. Otis was able to rise above life's punches and keep going and keep a great Christian attitude at the same time. Mrs. Otis was a great inspiration to my family in 2001 after the fatal wreck. She made the load of losing mom much easier to bear. I will always remember her smile even in the midst of all the pain.

Johnny Amick - December 14, 2009 at 12:31 PM

LP

“ Patsy,
It's been awhile since I've seen you, but I wanted to pass on my condolences to you & your family! May you find comfort in knowing she is in a better place and one day you will see each other again!

Lori Proctor - December 13, 2009 at 01:23 PM

BN

“ *Mary Frances, Margaret, Patsy, Yvonne and families, So sorry to read about your Mother. She was a special person and I will remember her for her sweet ways. It has been so nice to have her for a friend from the 1950's. Mom and I send our sympathy to your families. God will give you strength during your time of healing.*

Beverly Conner Niederhofer - December 13, 2009 at 12:32 AM

PK

“ *Mary Frances, Patsy and Margaret, Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. May God Bless and keep you in his arms through this tough time. Our Love, Peggy and Milton Kroesche*

Peggy Kroesche - December 12, 2009 at 01:42 PM

SM

“ *Margaret, I am so sorry to hear about your Mother. Our prayers are with you and your family.*

Skip and Tom McAbee - December 12, 2009 at 01:22 PM

AW

“ *We were so sorry to hear of Aunt Itha's passing. She was certainly a strong sweetheart of a lady, that was the "glue" of a lovely family! We loved her very much! Joe Nelson and I will be there tomorrow.*

Allen & Ruth Watlington - December 12, 2009 at 12:16 PM

SP

“ Teresa, I am so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you and your family.

Stacey Pegoda - December 11, 2009 at 11:38 PM

TR

“ There is no one sweeter than Nona. My kids use to love to stop by and visit with her. She always made us feel at home and a part of the family. She will be missed dearly! My prayers go out to all of you.

Terri Ruiz - December 11, 2009 at 10:56 PM

OH

“ Itha was a very sweet, loving, giving person. She set a Christian example for all around her. We have missed her since she hasn't been at our church as I am sure her family will miss her until we meet again.

Ollie W. (Mrs. Robert R.) Hardy - December 11, 2009 at 06:07 PM