



Lillie Mae Hayman

September 28, 1922 - October 25, 2011

Lillie Mae Hayman, longtime resident of Huntsville, Tx, who devoted much of the last thirty years of her life to community service, died October 21, 2011 at the age of 89 years. Lillie Mae was born September 28, 1922 to John Edward Grimes and Myrtie Reid Grimes in Nacogdoches County, Tx. She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Ruth Burt and husband Norman Eugene Hayman. She is survived by her brother Cecil Grimes and wife Lynn, stepsons Thomas Sandford Hayman and wife Jennie, John Rawls Hayman, four step grandchildren, Cathy Lynn & Bobby Warren, Caren Hayman, John Sterling Hayman and John Daniel Hayman, three nieces, four nephews and three step great-grandchildren. Lillie Mae graduated from Nacogdoches High School in 1939 and moved with her family to Houston that same year. She was employed by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in February, 1940. She married Norman Eugene Hayman in 1946 and transferred to Dallas. The family moved to Huntsville, Tx in 1949 and she worked in the Southwestern Bell district offices. She was secretary to the district manager, district traffic superintendent and held several management positions in the plant department. She was the first woman to ever work as a telephone company manager in the Huntsville district. She retired in 1979 after 39 years of service. Lillie Mae has been active in the Huntsville Church of Christ since 1949. She served on many committees; one was a group of ladies who made satin rose pillow corsages for all women who were admitted to the Huntsville Memorial Hospital. She was active in the PrimeTimers, a group of members

ages 50 and over. She was in charge of floral arrangements for church and managed the clothes giveaway event for those in need each fall. Lillie Mae was active in community affairs. She served as president of the Garden Club three times, president of the Walker County Chapter of AARP two years and as tour director for 15 years. One hundred and ten trips were made during that time. She was also a tour host for Educational Opportunities out of Florida and made three trips to Europe. She volunteered at the Sam Houston Statue Visitor's Center and the HEARTS Museum when needed. She joined the Huntsville Memorial Hospital Auxiliary in 1988 and began working in the gift shop in 1993. She served as president three times. She also made many floral arrangements to be sold in the gift shop. She worked over 14,000 hours as a member of the auxiliary. She also served several years as officer of the Southwestern Bell Pioneers. Lillie Mae was appointed by Mayor Bill Green to serve on the city beautification advisory committee and served six years. She was first runner-up in 2003 for Citizen of the Year. Her family can attest to the love she had for her beautiful yard and the dedication she had to community service. She was always busy gardening and working for others. Even while watching television, she was making artificial flowers and floral arrangements. There was never time when she wasn't working on something. She was convinced that time should be used, not wasted. The family wishes to thank the professional and caring staff at Ella Smither, Thee Hospice, and her physician and friend, Dr. Lawrence Wells. Pallbearers will be gentlemen of the Huntsville Church of Christ. Anyone wishing to make memorial donations, your time and service to an organization of your choice would be most appreciated. Visitation will be Monday, October 24, 2011, 6:00 AM– 8:00 PM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home; 1700 Normal Park Dr., Huntsville. The celebration of Lillie Mae's life will be on Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 10:00 AM at the Huntsville Church of Christ. 3737 Hwy 30 West, Huntsville, TX 77340. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Lillie Mae Hayman*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Thomas and Jennie,
We just wanted you to know we had you in our thoughts and
prayers. Regards, Ann and Charles Mallery*

Charles and Ann Mallery - November 06, 2011 at 05:30 PM



“ *Such fond memories of Lillie Mae Hayman from my years at the
Huntsville Church of Christ. She was always exceptionally gracious
and supportive of her church family. With my sympathy and prayers.*

Doris Warner Phelps - October 30, 2011 at 10:40 AM



“ *Sorry for you lose she was a wonderful women!*

Amber Michelle Waitschies - October 26, 2011 at 01:56 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss, My thoughts and prayers are with you at this
time*

james griffith - October 25, 2011 at 06:03 PM

LB

“ Aunt Lillie Mae was loved by many and always there for my mother and our family when we needed her love and comfort. She was beautiful both inside and out. We loved her and I will miss her.

Larry & Glenda Burt - October 24, 2011 at 04:28 PM

KB

“ Lillie Mae Hayman left a legacy of love for others, a ministry of service to her church and her community, and she raised two amazing sons. To John, Thomas and your families, I send my condolences and prayers. Ladies like "Mrs. Hayman" are not easily replaced! How fortunate you all were to have her as your "mom."

Kay McAdams Barrett - October 24, 2011 at 03:47 PM

MJ

“ We are sorry to hear of your loss.

Mellicent Wiley & Children Bobby II, Heather & Jason, Heath, Justin & Joanna -
October 24, 2011 at 09:07 AM

PK

“ Thomas, Jennie and Johnny, What a sweet lady your MOM was. She will surely be missed, but she has gone to do her volunteering in a better place. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. Love,

Peggy Kroesche - October 23, 2011 at 05:57 PM

JJ

“ Lillie Mae gave so many unselfish hours of service to our community. It was my pleasure to know and volunteer with her at the statue. She will be missed. My prayers are with the family.

Jeannine Jacoby - October 23, 2011 at 01:00 PM

MC

“ So sad to read of such a great lady leaving us. Her blood was blue from Southwestern Bell!

Mark Chalker - October 23, 2011 at 12:33 AM

BN

“ Johnny, Thomas and Ginny, My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Your Mom was a very special lady. I remember how sweet it was for her to have a wedding shower for my daughter. She was a true friend to the Niederhofer's. Lillie Mae was a blessing for the community.

Beverly Conner Niederhofer - October 22, 2011 at 04:15 PM