



Lola Irene Darnell

February 13, 1924 - April 12, 2023

Lola Irene Oholendt Darnell, 99 years old, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on April 12, 2023.

Lola was born on February 21, 1924, to Mayme and Walter Ernest Oholendt in North Little Rock, Arkansas. She was preceded in death by her parents, and her brothers Francis and Gene Oholendt, and her husband, Oliver Allen Westbrook, Jr. who was killed during WWII. Her husband of 63 years, Glenn Darnell, and son Dale Gordon Darnell also preceded her in death.

Lola graduated from North Little Rock High School and attended the University of Texas. She was active in Christian ministries as a youth and continued this service throughout her life. She was a member of University Heights Baptist Church and was a charter member of Covenant Fellowship in Huntsville, Texas. She served as a Red Cross volunteer aide during WWII. She contributed to her community by volunteering at hospitals where she lived and served many years at Huntsville Memorial Hospital and Auxiliary. In later years, she and Glenn volunteered with prison ministries in Huntsville providing support to families meeting their released loved ones. Lola served as First Trustee of Elkins Lake Board of Governors from 1979-1980. Feeling blessed and thankful to the Lord for giving her Glenn and her four sons, she dedicated herself to helping and encouraging their life choices and activities. After her sons started their careers, she earned her real estate license and was active in the field in Huntsville for over 12 years, five of them as co-owner of Elkins Lake Real Estate Company.

Lola is survived by her sons and their wives, Richard Glenn (Kathleen), Don Ross (Carol), Dave Ernest, and daughter-in-law Julia Darnell Dean; granddaughter Michelle Darnell Tanchek (Jeffrey, Austin), grandsons and their families Chad Glenn, Joel Timothy (Celina, Owen Louis, Flora Rebecca), Michael Hodge (Samantha, Beckett Hodge, Silas Stone), Daniel Glenn (Ava, Ezekiel Baird), Andrew Louis (Ashley, Vera Louise, Maeve Lola Jayne), Matthew Ross (Norma, Levi Mateo, Samuel Ross), Conner William (Courtney, Noah William), Garrett Don. She has numerous nieces and nephews she loved dearly.

Visitation is on Thursday April 27, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at University Heights Baptist Church, 2400 Sycamore, Huntsville, Texas. The service will follow at 11:00 a.m. with Dr. Richard Rogers and Reverend David Valentine officiating. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers. After the service, lunch will be provided in the church fellowship hall and the burial will be at 2:00 p.m. at the Adickes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery, 903 Martin Luther King Drive, Huntsville, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Huntsville Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship Fund, 119 Memorial Drive, Huntsville, TX 77340; University Heights Baptist Church, 2400 Sycamore, Huntsville, TX 77340; or Covenant Fellowship, 606 FM 1791 North, Huntsville, TX 77340. Memorial condolences to the family may be made at www.shmfh.com.

You may view Lola's services at the following link, that will be live streamed, starting 10 minutes prior to the service time: <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/6305170046>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

University Heights Baptist Church
2400 Sycamore Ave
Huntsville, TX 77340

Funeral Service

APR 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

University Heights Baptist Church
2400 Sycamore Ave
Huntsville, TX 77340

Graveside Service

APR 27. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM.

Adickes addition of Oakwood Cemetery

Tribute Wall



“ *Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home created a Lola Darnell in memory of Lola Irene Darnell*



Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - April 26, 2023 at 03:40 PM



“ *Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lola Irene Darnell*



Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - April 21, 2023 at 09:33 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your huge loss. What a lady. My family lived down the street from them. I babysat the grandkids when they were in town, my Dad flew with Dick and my Mom and Lola owned Elkins Lake Realty together. I got to talk to Lola when I lost my Mom 1 1/2 years ago. Many prayers and hugs for y'all. I know my Mom and Lola are talking Real Estate. Kenda (Koch) (Dale) Primeaux, Bud Koch and Derek (Lynn) Koch*

Kenda Primeaux - May 09, 2023 at 09:39 AM

DD

Thank you for your lovely note. Yes, our moms are selling heavenly real estate as we speak!!

Dick Darnell - June 05, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lola Irene Darnell.*



April 26, 2023 at 02:10 PM

DA

“ *She was a blessing she came into JCPenney every week to get her hair done by Liz she was so sweet and a great friend*

Danita - April 25, 2023 at 07:55 PM

KD

Thank you for taking care of here all those years!

Kate Darnell - April 28, 2023 at 11:13 PM

JB

“ *I have not seen Mrs Darnell in many years, but I remember her with fondness! She was a realtor with ELRC and I was a real property appraiser with the WCAD. She was a lady that you never got a negative reply from and you enjoyed helping her with anything she needed to know. And ...you could tell she just enjoyed putting families in their new homes! I'm glad she lived a long and happy life! She was a special lady and will be missed! 🙏🙏*
Jamie Brinegar

Jamie Brinegar - April 21, 2023 at 09:00 AM

KD

Thank you very much for your kind comments.

Kate Darnell - April 28, 2023 at 11:11 PM

JH

“ *Lola was one of the sweetest people I have ever known! I didn't get to know her until she was 97 but wished I could have known her for much longer time.* ”

Jo Hayman - April 19, 2023 at 12:30 PM

KD

Thank you very much.

Kate Darnell - April 28, 2023 at 11:12 PM



Charlotte Efird

“ *Charlotte Efird lit a candle in memory of Lola Irene Darnell* ”



Charlotte Efird - April 18, 2023 at 07:13 PM

KD

Thank you for remembering her in such a kind way.

Kate Darnell - April 28, 2023 at 11:15 PM

MH

“ *Marvin Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Lola Irene Darnell* ”



Marvin Hyvl - April 18, 2023 at 11:58 AM

KD

Thank you for your kind gesture.

Kate Darnell - April 28, 2023 at 11:16 PM

MW

“ *I am sorry for your loss. Lola will be missed. She was a precious Christian lady. She & her husband were always fun to be around.*



Mellicent Wiley - April 18, 2023 at 10:09 AM

KD

Thank you kindly.

Kate Darnell - April 28, 2023 at 11:16 PM

MW

“ *Love you, dear Lola. Blessings to the family. Merle Warren*

Merle Warren - April 18, 2023 at 09:21 AM

KD

Thank you, Merle. She loved you dearly.

Kate Darnell - April 28, 2023 at 11:17 PM