



Mary Ann Birkhead

July 26, 1929 - May 25, 2017

Mary Ann Birkhead, 87, passed away on May 25, 2017.

Mary Ann was born on July 26, 1929, in Snook, Texas, the daughter of the late Frank and Mary Minnie (Vajdak) Kovar of Beasley, Texas. Her husband William "Roy" Birkhead, sister Alice Mae Lively and brother-in-law Everett Doyle Lively and Margaret Ruth (Margie) Kovar preceded her in death. Survivors include daughter, Sherri Cowan and husband, Trey of Spring, Texas; son, Bobby Birkhead and wife, Janice of Friendswood, Texas; daughter, Susan Morrow and husband, Bob of Dallas, Texas; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Clara Crumbly and husband, Kenneth of Williamsburg, Virginia.

Mary Ann was a member of the Rosenberg Brethren Church until she moved to Houston, Texas in 1946 after graduating from Beasley High School and was a member of the Houston Brethren Church until her marriage to Roy Birkead when she joined First Baptist Church in Pasadena, Texas.

Mary Ann graduated from Southwestern Business University in 1947 and was employed doing stenographic and secretarial work in the Houston area. She was working at the Humble Oil & Refining Company at the time she met her husband, Roy, a widower with two children, Susan and Bobby. Mary Ann had a proposal not only from Roy but also from Susan and Bobby. Roy and Mary

Ann married in 1965 and their daughter Sherri was born two years later. Mary Ann worked for Pasadena Independent School District, as a school secretary and in the Substitute Teachers program.

She and Roy retired in 1987 and enjoyed traveling and playing golf with many wonderful people in Elkins Lake. After Roy's death Mary Ann moved back to Houston to be closer to her children.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the First Baptist Church, 1229 Avenue J, Huntsville, Texas 77340.

The family will receive relatives and friends at 10:00 AM, with funeral services to follow at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, May 31, 2017 in the chapel of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas. Interment will be held at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at Houston National Cemetery in Houston, Texas.

Full obituary may be viewed and memorial condolences made to the family at www.shmfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **31**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Service

MAY **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
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Graveside

MAY **31**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Houston National Cemetery
10410 Veterans Memorial Dr
Houston, TX 77038
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/houston.asp>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Ann Birkhead*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Birkhead.*



May 30, 2017 at 02:27 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Birkhead.*



May 30, 2017 at 11:19 AM



“ *Tony Sweet and your friends at S&P Global Platts purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary Ann Birkhead.*



Tony Sweet and your friends at S&P Global Platts - May 30, 2017 at 11:16 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Birkhead.*



May 28, 2017 at 10:27 PM



“ *I have so many wonderful memories of Mary Ann after she met and married Roy. They were close friends of my parents, Dave and Jerry Davison. I grew up playing with Susan and Bobby while our folks played 42. My heart goes out to the family and special condolences to Susan and Bobby. I know what a tremendous loss this is and my prayers are with you.*

Judy Davison Jones - May 28, 2017 at 08:01 PM



“ *Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Birkhead.*



May 26, 2017 at 03:41 PM