



## **Dr. Mary Ella Brazil Lowe**

May 3, 1934 - September 16, 2018

Dr. Mary Ella Brazil Lowe passed away on September 16, 2018 at the age of 84. Born on May 3, 1934 in Lufkin, Texas she was the only child of the late Earl C. Brazil and Sibyl Burnaman Brazil. She was also preceded in death by her former husband James C. Lowe. She is survived by her two sons James (Jay) C. Lowe Jr. and Mark Brazil Lowe as well as grandson James C. Lowe III and great grandson Aiden.

Dr. Lowe grew up and went to school in Redland, Texas a few miles north of Lufkin. After High School Graduation she attended Stephen F. Austin State College and the University of Houston where she graduated with a B.S. Degree in Elementary Education. She later taught at Deer Park ISD and Cypress Fairbanks ISD while completing her Masters in Education from the University of Houston. She earned her Doctor of Education from the University of North Texas and taught in the College of Education, Department of Elementary Education at Stephen F. Austin State University until retirement in December of 1996 after 30 years teaching. She was a long time member of the Methodist Church.

While at SFA she published several articles and co-authored a textbook for student teachers. She also presented numerous papers at national, state and local conventions and frequently worked with teachers and administrators during in-service training. She was elected to the Faculty Senate where she

served as secretary and served two terms on the Graduate Council as well as numerous other departmental and College of Education committees. For 12 years she served as adviser to the Texas Student Education Association during which time they won several prestigious state awards. She was also a sponsor of Kappa Delta Pi, national honor society in education and was a member of several national and state education organizations during her career.

In retirement she was active in the Walker County Retired Teachers Association and held chairmanships of two District VI committees for four years as well as for the local chapter. She has volunteered at the Sam Houston Statue and Visitor Center until 2016.

Her greatest joy was her family, especially her grandson, James. She loved the family vacations that they all took together as well as cooking their favorite foods. She was a big Dallas Cowboys fan and no one loved the music of Elvis more than she.

A grave side service will be held at Walker Cemetery in the community of Redland at 2pm on Thursday.

It was her wish that instead of floral tributes, contributions be made to:

The Metavivor Research and Support  
1783 Forest Dr. #184  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Or

The Nantz National Alzheimer Center  
Methodist Neurological Institute

Methodist Hospital  
Houston, TX

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

SEP **20**. 2:00 PM.

Walker Cemetery  
Redland, TX

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Mary Ella Brazil Lowe*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Dr. Lowe was one of my education professors as I worked toward my teaching career. She helped me so much, and she always took a personal interest in all of her students. My condolences to the family. Martha Nell Modisette, Collins, Mississippi*

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**Martha Nell Modisette** - October 01, 2018 at 10:22 PM



“ *To the family of Dr. Mary Brazil-Lowe, I am so sorry to read about the death of your loved one. I am a former student of Dr. Lowe and I enjoyed her teaching to the upmost there at Stephen F. Austin State University...Praying that our Lord and Savior continue to shower you and your many loved ones with his blessings and divine favor...*

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**Richard Lee Matlock, M:Ed** - September 21, 2018 at 01:49 PM



“ *I wish to say farewell to another long-time friend, school mate and neighbor. Mary Ella was a lovely child, girl and woman. She was beautiful in every way. My sincere condolences to the family and to the many others who mourn her passing. God Bless you!*

*Gerri Long Grimes-Coats  
Nacogdoches, TX*

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**Gerri Long Grimes-Coats** - September 19, 2018 at 05:13 PM

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“ *Shana Cross lit a candle in memory of Dr. Mary Ella Brazil Lowe*



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**Shana Cross** - September 19, 2018 at 10:55 AM

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“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Praying for you & the rest of the family.*



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**Mellicent Sikes Wiley** - September 18, 2018 at 12:50 AM