



Ruth Chandler

July 10, 1920 - July 2, 2006

Celebrating the Life of Ruth King Chandler Retired Elementary School Teacher July 10, 1920-June 29, 2006 Ruth King Chandler, 85, completed her earthly journey June 29, 2006 and has gone to the Lord. Ruth was born July 10, 1920 in Lott, Texas to James and Artie King. She graduated from Rosebud High School (Falls County, Texas). Ruth gained her desire to pursue a career in Home Economics during her high school experiences. She began her college education at South West State Teachers College and transferred to Sam Houston State Teachers College where she earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Home Economics (1950) and later a Masters of Arts Degree in Elementary Education (1959). She began her teaching career as a Home Economics teacher at Buffalo High School. Ruth especially loved teaching young children and treasured their daily hugs and kisses. She had fond memories of teaching children to read and spell their first words. Ruth cherished the stories her students had shared with her, and always hoped to plant seeds of inspiration in the hearts and minds of her students. Ruth retired from teaching in 1980 after teaching for 33 years (22 of which were with Huntsville Independent School District). Ruth loved her Lord and was a lifetime member of the Church of Christ where she taught Sunday school, helped with Vacation Bible School, and most recently served with the Hospital Ministry making and providing pillow corsages for women in the hospital. She was active in the University Women of Sam Houston State University, and in 1995 was selected as Outstanding Alumnus of the Home Economics

Program. She was also a member of the local chapter of AARP, Walker County Retired Teachers, and several other organizations. She was preceded in death by her parents, James Marion King and Artie King and brother, Cleve King. Ruth is survived by her husband of 64 years (married December 13, 1941), J.A. Chandler; daughter Judy Chandler Cole and husband King Kennon Cole of Madisonville; son James King Chandler and wife Joey Brand Chandler of Huntsville; grandchildren Jeffrey Fleming and wife Jane-Ann of Spring; Jacob Chandler and wife Lucrecia of Huntsville; Cody Chandler and wife Andrea of Hinesville, GA; great-grandchildren Chandler Elizabeth Fleming and Sarah Catherine Fleming of Spring; sister Naomi King Donalson; and brother Bobby Goble and wife Betty. Funeral services are scheduled for 3:00 pm Sunday, July 2, 2006 at the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home Chapel, under the direction of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Brooke Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5:00-7:00 pm on Saturday evening at the funeral home. Memorial condolences may be made to the family online at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Chandler*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Judy and King and Family, Joe and I were so sorry to hear of your mother's death. I was in Monterrey visiting our granddaughter and Joe did not know in time to attend the service. We will never forget your mother. She was such a precious teacher and was so very sweet to Trey when he was in her class. She never failed to ask me about him and Aynsley, whom she taught reading a few years later. I recently looked through Trey's baby book for pictures needed to do a video for his wedding and there was a picture of your mother as his favorite teacher. When I think of your mother, I think of my own mother because they both had that same sweetness, charm, and graciousness. They were southern ladies in the best sense of the word. Joe and I will have all of you in our thoughts and prayers in the months ahead. We certainly share your grief.*

jane and joe henderson - July 10, 2006 at 03:35 PM



“ *Judy and Jeff, we were out of town and I just got around to reading the newspaper and learned of your mother and grandmother's death. I ran into her in the mall a few weeks before her death and we enjoyed talking about children and grandchildren. She was always so pleasant and full of life. I didn't know your address to send you a card. I will pray for your family at this time of grief. God bless you.*

Herb & Billye Muecke - July 08, 2006 at 05:41 PM

BS

“ God bless the Chandler family during this great loss. King, you and yours, will continue to be in our prayers.

Brian Smith - July 05, 2006 at 09:16 AM

HA

“ King, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. I know she will be greatly missed; she was a wonderful lady. I hope your happy memories of her will help carry you through the difficult days ahead.

Helen Allen - July 03, 2006 at 10:15 PM

EC

“ The Lord said to choose "life" and she did and so did the entire family. I know my "bedbug" is resting in His arms and I am so happy for her. Family--take care and know that all will be well--she is in His great hands.

Esther Carrera - July 03, 2006 at 05:29 PM

DP

“ To the Chandler family,
I am saddened to learn of Mrs. Chandler's death.
I have many wonderful memories of her from church....especially her energy, kindness and grace. She was so proud of her children and her grandchildren. Judy and King were among the finest at Huntsville High School when we all were there so she had good reason to be proud.
She will be missed so much by the Huntsville community, her church family and remembered with great fondness by all those who knew her.
With my love and sympathy,
Doris Warner Phelps

Doris Warner Phelps - July 03, 2006 at 02:56 PM

DT

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I think of Mrs. Chandler so often. She was Rachel's (our oldest daughter) second grade teacher. She was a special person and a wonderful teacher. Rachel loved her. I can remember Mrs. Chandler having a smile on her face all of the time. Judy, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Take care. Dorothea

Dorothea Tarver - July 02, 2006 at 03:49 PM

KA

“ So sad to hear of Ruth's passing, but joyful that she is "face to face with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We really enjoyed her as our neighbor and friend for the last 9 yrs. Our prayers and thoughts are with the family.

Kirk, Sue, Ryan, Sean Adams - July 01, 2006 at 09:14 PM

MK

“ KING
I WAS SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR MOM. IT SEEMS LIKE ONLY YESTERDAY WHEN WE ARE KIDS IN HUNTSVILLE. MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU.. MARY BETH KALTWASSER COOK

mary beth kaltwasser - July 01, 2006 at 03:31 PM

DR

“ I am so sorry to learn of your great loss. Mrs. Chandler was a very fine lady and teacher. My daughter, Cathy had her for a second grade teacher in 1965. I always appreciated the way she loved the children. You surely have fond memories! My prayers are with you, Dorothy Reader

Dorothy Reader - June 30, 2006 at 08:31 PM

GH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family. I remember growing up and seeing Mrs. Chandler at church with a beautiful smile always on her face. I remember her being such a precious lady in my little eyes. I will remember her always.

Geneva Higginbotham - June 30, 2006 at 10:21 AM

RB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you during these difficult days. Know that the strength that you need can only come from our Lord and Saviour. Remember that "All things work together for good to those who love the Lord and are called in his purpose." With love,
Ray & Glyna Brown

RAY & GLYNA BROWN - June 30, 2006 at 08:52 AM

NJ

“ How sad I was to learn of Miss Ruth's death this morning. She and Mr. J. A. were always so nice to me while I was Alumni Director and afterwards. She will be missed by many. Norma Dell and Jerry D. Jones of Lovelady.

Norma Dell & Jerry D. Jones - June 30, 2006 at 08:22 AM

AM

“ As I celebrated my 30th class reunion last weekend, I remembered my second grade teacher at Huntsville Elementary, which is now Gibbs Elememtery.
The year was 1965. As a scared little African American, Mrs. Chandler made me welcome.
I think of her often.
Condolences to the family.

Annette Massie-Hunnicutt - June 30, 2006 at 08:13 AM

BW

“ *We are sorry to hear of your loss.* ”

Bob, Mellicent, Bobby II, Heather, Heath & Justin Wiley - June 29, 2006 at 03:19 PM