



Ruth Stone

May 16, 1912 - June 4, 2012

Ruth Stone went to be with our Lord and Savior on Sunday May 27, 2012 at the age of 100 years and 11 days. Ruth Greenfield was born near Hermleigh, Texas on May 16, 1912. She and her 10 siblings were raised on the family farm. Ruth graduated from Canyon High School in 1930 and West Texas State in 1934. She taught for a few years in West Texas then relocated to take a teaching position in Pharr, Texas. Soon thereafter Ruth met Carl C. Stone whom she married in the summer of 1941. Carl and Ruth settled in Donna, Texas and raised their three boys; Tom, Larry, and Stan, in a house on Hester Street. Ruth taught fifth grade for 17 years before retiring in 1976. She was a devout Christian and member of the Donna First United Methodist Church from 1948 until her death. During her lengthy retirement Ruth kept busy with church, needle point, and visiting shut ins. She was a skilled scrabble player and a die-hard Donna Redskin and Dallas Cowboy fan. Ruth was preceded in death by her parents Joseph Eans Greenfield and Martha Ilura Woodfin and 10 of her siblings; her husband Carl Stone, and her eldest son Tom Stone. Surviving family members include Larry and Ellen Stone, of Edinburg; Stan and Susie Stone, of Huntsville; Cliff and Strider Stone and Lana Bailey, of Austin; Brett, Liz, Lanie, and Emily McCown, of Seguin; Sharlie Stone, of New Braunfels; and Sean Stone of Spring, Texas. A memorial service will be held at Donna First United Methodist Church on Monday June 4, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow immediately at Highland Memorial Park, Weslaco, North Hwy 88. The family thanks Janie Arguijo, Nora McBride, and the Lexington

Assisted Living Center in Huntsville, Texas for the loving care they provided to Ruth in her final years. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Donna First United Methodist Church, benevolence fund, 228 South Main Street, Donna, Texas 78537.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Stone*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *My condolences to you for your loss. I worked with with Ruth at South Donna Elem. As a beginning teacher I watched and studied those more experienced than myself. Ruth was a source of valuable info etc. Most of all she was a source of strength for all who were fortunate to serve with her. She was a truly child centered teacher who loved her students. Heaven will be greatly enriched by her presence.*

From: George Morley 06/11/12

George Morley - June 11, 2012 at 02:46 PM



“ *Larry & Stanley, Although you were my brothers' friends, I knew your mom as that nice lady who came to see Mom often. She was a sweet lady. I remember walking by the house one day with one of my children and we stopped to say "Hello". She wanted to know all about me and my kids and where we were and how we were doing. She sent a few Christmas cards my way occasionally and I like to think she "kept up with me" all those years. I know that she and Mom are spending time together in heaven. Our prayers are with you.*

Susan & Star Smith

Susie Seiver Smith - June 10, 2012 at 10:31 PM

HM

“ Dear Larry, Stan and Families,
"The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God..." May you find comfort in your loss in the promises of God of eternal life with Him. Probably the hardest thing to suffer in this life is the loss of a child. I'm sure it was Ruth's joy to find Tommy on the front row of those gathered to welcome her soul into the kingdom. I too remember Ruth fondly and her loving presence with us children at First Methodist in Donna. May she rest in peace and rise in glory!

Hamp Mabry - June 05, 2012 at 06:01 PM

TE

“ Larry, Stanley and families: Mrs. Stone was like another mom to me. Tommy and I spent many good times together and always were reminded by her to always be safe. I went by to see here every time I went back to the Valley. She was never seen without a smile and a hug for everyone. I knew the hard times she endured during her life, but she always kept her head high and instilled a love of God for her family. She will be missed, and I will always remember her. I loved here dearly and will keep you in my prayers. Wish I could have been there.

Most sincerely,
Terry Erwin, Mountain City, Texas

Terry Erwin - June 04, 2012 at 10:36 AM

LM

“ Larry & Ellen, Stanley, and all family members and friends of dear Ruth Stone,
As I've scanned messages from others, I am struck by the common experiences all of us had with your mother...knowing her kindness, sweetness, and loving ways. What a life she led, and what a remarkable legacy she imparted to all of us who were fortunate to have our paths cross hers. Parting is so difficult, yet I hope you will find His great peace in knowing that someday we will all be reunited. God bless you and fill you with wonderful memories to replace the sorrow.
You are in our prayers and thoughts....Jerry McCord and Linda Evans McCord

Linda Evans McCord - June 01, 2012 at 11:25 PM

JM

“ Larry and Stanley, please know that both of you and your families are in my thoughts and prayers. Your mom was a very special lady. I remember her as one of my Sunday School teachers and always involved in church activities. She was always so sweet and kind. Happy to call her two youngest sons friends even though it has been a "few" years.

Jennifer Lewis McDaniel - June 01, 2012 at 10:46 PM

TA

“ Stan and family - so sorry to hear of your loss. It seems your mom lived her life to the very fullest, and blessed many lives. Our thoughts are with you.

Tina and Martey Ainsworth - June 01, 2012 at 07:48 PM

JC

“ Larry and Stan and Families,
Sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. I will always remember her as a soft-spoken lady with a beautiful smile. May GOD grant you all with peace and the knowledge that she is now at home.

Jo Ann Evans Currie - June 01, 2012 at 04:44 PM

LJ

“ Dear Stones, We are so sorry for your loss. Grandma Ruth has been such a wonderful part of all our lives and she will be sorely missed. I can still see Ruth, Henrietta and Barbara sitting at the dining room table playing scrabble. So many great memories. God Bless you all with the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Love in Christ,

Lisa, John, Travis and Justin - June 01, 2012 at 04:02 PM

RG

“ So very sorry for the loss of your mother. She was such a wonderful lady and a dear friend of my mother, Effie Mulder, for years. Mother also taught school in Donna and actually lived next door to Ruth in her later years. Mom passed away at age 93. I'm sure their friendship will continue in a much sweeter place. We will be remembering your family in our thoughts and prayers. Pat & Ruth Greever

Ruth Greever - June 01, 2012 at 12:50 PM

SJ

“ Larry and Stanley, I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a great teacher and a wonderful lady. Know that you all will be in my prayers. Sheila Yanez Johnston

Sheila Yanez Johnston - June 01, 2012 at 11:10 AM

PJ

“ Larry, So, sorry to hear about your mother. She was a great person. She lived a long wonderful life and she will be dearly missed.

paul jenkins - June 01, 2012 at 10:23 AM

AM

“ Larry and Stanley, I am so sorry for your loss. I loved your Mom and cherish the time I spent visiting with her in your home. You will all be in my prayers. Sincerely, Anne Collins Martin

Anne Collins Martin - June 01, 2012 at 09:09 AM

LG

“ To Larry and Stan and to those that knew and loved Mrs. Stone. She provided many happy hours for Tommy and I as we grew up together in school, cub scouts, and many Jr. High and High School activities. She was always a smile and a cheerful voice to us as we adventured into life. My mother (Christine Gerber), Mrs. Weaver, and Mrs. Stone were together for many years serving the goods of Donna. May God grant you and your Peace through the sadden times and a ray of sunshine from heaven as she arrives at the right hand of God.

Lawrence Gerber

Lawrence Gerber - May 31, 2012 at 11:58 PM

FW

“ Your mother was a fine lady. So sorry for your loss. It only seems like yesterday when I was at your home seeing you, your mother and dad, Tommy and Stanley. The worst part of growing older is losing such wonderful people. Our prayers are with all of you. Fred Wallace

Fred Wallace - May 31, 2012 at 09:54 PM

CM

“ Our condolences and sympathy to the family. Grandma Ruth was a great lady and friend. She loved her children and grandchildren and great grand children very much.

We were happy to get to know her through our daughter and law, Liz McCown. We will not be able to attend the services, but we will be thinking and praying for all of you.

I know she was loved by many people and will be missed. She had a loving Christian life and was an influence in many lives. Chester and Ollie

Chester and Ollie MCCown - May 31, 2012 at 10:34 AM

JB

“ Stan & Susie,

So very sorry for the loss of your mother. I have wonderful memories of meeting & visiting with your mom when our girls were growing up and always enjoyed her enthusiasm for life! What a wonderful legacy she is leaving to her loved ones to have been able to live to 100 years old! I am so blessed that my mom is still with me at the age of 92 (to be 93 on 6/7!) and cannot imagine the loss of losing my mom. Please know that you & your family are in our thoughts & prayers! With much love...

Jamie & Don Brinegar

Jamie Brinegar - May 30, 2012 at 03:42 PM