



## Mrs. Ella Mae Pierce

May 17, 1934 - June 7, 2023

Funeral services for Mrs. Ella Mae Pierce will be 2:00 p.m. Sunday, June 11, 2023, at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jerry Anderson and Heath Kruebbe officiating. Burial will follow under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation will be 1-2:00 p.m. prior to the service.

Mrs. Ella Mae Mercer Pierce was born May 17, 1934, in Harrison County, Texas. Mrs. Pierce passed this life June 7, 2023, in Longview, Texas. Ella was one of ten children born to the marriage of Bert and Mattie Mae Woodley Mercer. She was raised and schooled in Elysian Fields graduating high school there. She married Leo Allen Pierce June 2, 1951, and they celebrated 58 years of marriage and two daughters before he preceded her in death in 2010. Mrs. Pierce was a loving wife, mother, grandmother to her family. She was a natural caregiver and would later become a Nurse Aide Practitioner working for Panola Nursing Home. Ella placed her Lord and family above all else. She loved and served her Lord through Fielder Road Baptist Church while in Arlington and upon returning she served through Friendship Baptist Church where she had lifelong friendships. She loved flower gardening and cooking. Her life was spent caring and giving to others. She is preceded in death by her parents; siblings, Louise Burt, Marie Voyles, Sybil McDaniel, Henry Mercer, B.W. Mercer, Joe Mercer, Nina McDonald, and Jimmy Mercer.

Mrs. Pierce is survived by her loving daughters, Phyllis Hays and fiancé Joe Gentry of Carthage, Barbara Jo Kruebbe and husband Michael Joseph of Carthage; sister, Betty Railey and husband Jack of Scottsville; grandchildren,

Matthew Joseph Kruebbe of Austin, Brandon Allen Kruebbe and wife Shelly of Carthage, Michael Heath Kruebbe and wife Kathleen of Carthage, Brian Paul Kruebbe of Carthage, Josh and Brittany Gentry of Carthage, and Jamie Nutt and Husband Kolt of Carthage; great grandchildren, Hope, Austin, Caleb, Anna, Ally, Avery, Faith, Katelynn, Abbott, MinhAnh, Shelby, Jacob, Jared, Kilee, Kayden, Kaden, and Kyton; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be, Matthew Kruebbe, Brandon Kruebbe, Heath Kruebbe, Brian Kruebbe, Caleb Kruebbe, Jerry Wayne Anderson, and Randy Wilkerson. Honorary pallbearers, David Thompson, Glenn Reeves, Ralph Jolley, Mike Roquemore, Ron Roquemore and Rob Jolley.

The family request memorials to CISD Education Foundation.

# Cemetery Details

## Pierce Cemetery

357 CR 210  
Carthage, TX 75633

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JUN 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel  
307 W Wellington St.  
Carthage, Tx

# Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Ella Mae Pierce



Hawthorn Funeral Home - June 10, 2023 at 12:56 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Ella Mae Pierce.

June 10, 2023 at 04:55 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ella Mae Pierce.



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“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ella Mae Pierce.



June 10, 2023 at 04:37 PM



“ 53 files added to the album LifeTributes



Hawthorn Funeral Home - June 10, 2023 at 12:48 PM

JH

“ My sincere condolences to the family

Joe Hough - June 10, 2023 at 11:29 AM

BK

“ I am blessed beyond measure to be one of “Munna’s” grandchildren. She loved me in word and in deed from before my earliest memory with her to her last few days in this life. Thank you, Munna, for showing me what it means to love others and what it is to be loved! I know the purpose of this post is to share a memory, but I cannot choose just one. God blessed me with a lifetime of beautiful memories - and I am eternally grateful.

Brandon Kruebbe - June 10, 2023 at 01:58 AM

FM

“ *Ella Mae was such a special person. She was my Aunt but I grew up in the house with her and she felt more like a sister. She was fun and had a great laugh. We were at a funeral one time and someone asked me if my husband was my son. Ella and I looked at each other and started laughing and it was embarrassing to be sitting in a church at a funeral and laughing. She said she got the worst spanking of her life because of me. I always watched Ella and Leo at school because they were so much in love. I told on her a couple of times too. Ella, I loved you, loved you and I will miss you so much.*

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**Freida Anderson Moore** - June 09, 2023 at 11:27 PM

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*Ella May was a 1st cousins to me(Neva Nell Woodley) My sister, Winnie Woodley Huston, want to send our prayer to her family.*

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**Neva Woodley Riney** - June 10, 2023 at 12:43 PM

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“ *Freida Anderson Moore purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mrs. Ella Mae Pierce.*



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**Freida Anderson Moore** - June 09, 2023 at 11:16 PM