



## Mrs. Joyce Chapman

February 22, 1929 - January 4, 2014

Funeral services for Mrs. Joyce Chapman, 84, of Carthage, Texas will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, January 6, 2014 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Keefe Cropper officiating. Burial will follow in the Union Chapel Cemetery in Van, Texas under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Family visitation will be one hour prior to services at Hawthorn Funeral Home. Mrs. Chapman died January 4, 2014 in Tyler, Texas.

Mrs. Lena Joyce Camper Chapman was born February 22, 1929 in Van, Texas. She was the only child born to the marriage of Horace C. and Loyce Ophelia Freeman Camper. Joyce was raised in Van graduating high school there. She obtained her bachelors from Texas Woman's University in Denton and her Masters in Library Science. She married Lee Pershing Chapman June 11, 1954 and they celebrated 37 years together before he preceded her in death in 1991.

Mrs. Chapman served as a librarian for 39 years with the Carthage High School and Panola Junior College. She was active in her sorority Delta Kappa Gamma for 32 years, the chancel choir at First United Methodist Church since 1953 and the Teammates Sunday School Class since 1954. She was active in the Carthage Book Forum, loved sewing, needlework, music, piano and traveling. Joyce was always there to those that needed her.

Mrs. Chapman is survived by her cousins, Vernetta Cooksey and husband Raymond of Tyler, Dale Fisher and wife Judy of Van, Will Freeman and wife Faye of Tyler, Norma Walker of Mineola, Carolyn Shay of Oklahoma City, OK,

Avie Lacy of Midlothian, Perry Camper of Mabank, John Chapman and wife Doris of Lafayette, LA; dear friends, Becky Gullette and Katherine Rhodes; numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Union Chapel Cemetery

Van, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home  
307 West Wellington Street  
P.O. Box 188  
Carthage, TX 75633  
(903) 693-3816  
info@hawthornfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.hawthornfuneralhome.com>

## Service

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

JR

“ Mrs. Chapman was such an inspiration to me and helped mold my young life at Panola. She took me into her home when going back to Joaquin was just too far to travel after play practice, etc. I worked in the library and we became very close friends. She and Mr. Lee were wonderful people. I miss her Christmas cards that she sent every year. That is how we kept up with each other's lives. I loved her.

*Joyce Lewis Richards*

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**Joyce L. Richards** - January 10, 2014 at 11:14 AM

TC

“ We will miss Ms. Joyce at Winkler House...she was almost always in the hallway or doorway....greeting everyone with such a warm smile....and always dressed to perfection. Sweet Sweet Lady....

*Toni Clements  
Joyce Sharpe Rogers*

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**Toni Clements** - January 06, 2014 at 11:39 AM

KA

“ Mrs Chapman may you rest in peace. You were such a sweet and fun person. You will be missed.

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**Katherine & Ashlee** - January 05, 2014 at 09:32 PM

JF

*The Winkler House will not be the same without you. You were such a joy to my Kindergarten kids and we loved you so much. Thanks for giving "grandmother hugs" to all of my kids. I will miss seeing your beautiful smile.*

*Jenice Fitts and class Carthage Primary*

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**Jenice Fitts** - January 09, 2014 at 02:31 PM