



Mrs. Judy Cockrell

June 8, 1948 - May 5, 2020

Funeral services for Mrs. Judy Cockrell, 71, of Carthage, Texas will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 9, 2020 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Freddy Mason, Rev. Dale Walker and Dr. Dale Reed officiating. Burial will follow in the Bethlehem Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Guests will attend via Facebook live stream.

Mrs. Judy Lynn Rhodes Cockrell was born June 8, 1948 in Houston, Harris County, Texas. She passed this life May 5, 2020 peacefully at her Carthage home. Judy was one of five girls born to the marriage of Daniel Edward and Willie Opal Vaughn Rhodes. She began schools in Houston and Gary graduating Carthage High School with the class of 1966. Judy attended Panola College and Stephen F. Austin State University.

Judy married Thomas Edwin "T.E." Cockrell and together they celebrated 38 years of marriage before he preceded her in death. Judy worked as a bus driver for Panola College, Beckville and Gary high schools. She worked bookkeeping for T.E. Cockrell Construction, Inc. beside her husband running the business until his death. Mrs. Cockrell loved her Lord, as a longtime member of the Cedar Grove Baptist Church, and her family devoting time to grandchildren and cooking for family and friends. She is also preceded in death by her parents, and sisters, Charlene Butts and LaVaughn Rhodes. Mrs. Cockrell is survived by her loving daughters, Rhonda LaGrone and husband Dennis of Carthage, Donna Bell and husband Chris of Carthage, Connie Browning and husband Robert of Taylor, AR, and Sharon Hastings

and husband David of Carthage, sisters, Margaret Cooper of Porter, and Helen Rhodes of Porter; grandchildren Brandon LaGrone and wife Kelly, Ashley Brewster and husband Eric, Brack LaGrone and wife Lacie, Clayton Bell, Amy Knight and husband Josh, Justin Bell, Brittany Nichols and husband Luke, Robbie Browning and fiancée Kamryn Riddle, Paige Hastings; numerous great grandchildren, special friend and prayer warrior Kooter and Rodey Romero, numerous nieces, nephews, and a host of friends. Serving as pallbearers will be Brandon LaGrone, Brack LaGrone, Justin Bell, Robbie Browning, Eric Brewster, and Josh Knight. In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to Mission Carthage Women's Shelter, P. O. Box 1208, Carthage, TX 75633 or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Cemetery

1343 CR 108
Carthage, TX 75633

Previous Events

Service

MAY 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

BI

“ Dear Rhonda and Dennis,
Isabelle and I are greatly saddened to learn of the passing of your
Mother and Mother in law,
We send you and your family our most sincere condolences in your
sad loss.
Be sure that we share your sorrow and that we will keep her in our
prayers.
Sending our warmest loves.
Isabelle and Philippe

BOSIO Philippe et Isabelle - May 10, 2020 at 06:11 AM



“ Loved sitting with her at Panola College basketball games. Great
conversation but we didn't miss a single play! Becky Gulette

Becky Gulette - May 09, 2020 at 02:21 PM

DO

Thank you Ms Gulette. She really enjoyed those games and
conversation. Thank you for attending and being such a wonderful
friend.

Donna - May 18, 2020 at 12:20 AM

MB

“ We are so sorry for your loss. May God bless you and keep you.
Don & Margaret Bates

MARGARET BATES - May 08, 2020 at 10:48 PM

DO

Thank you

Donna - May 18, 2020 at 12:21 AM

PW

“ Judy was a sweet sweet lady and a good friend to all she met. I am so sorry for your family’s loss. Prayers for all of you now and in the days ahead.

Pam Windham - May 08, 2020 at 10:36 AM

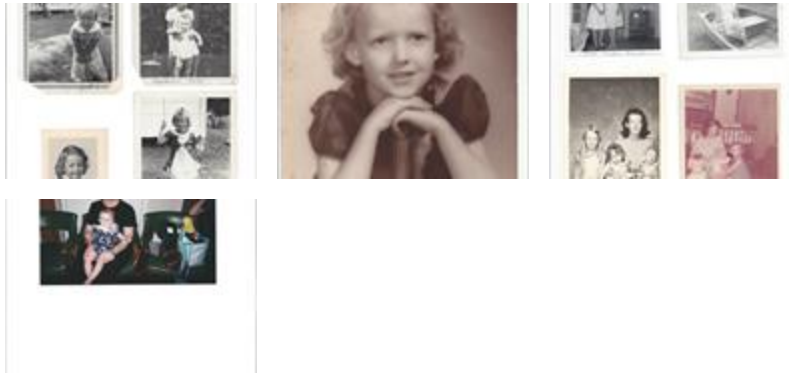
DL

“ My dear Aunt Judy was a true leader. God will truly set someone like her in your path when you need his loving arms surrounding you and your family. We are ten years apart in age and born in the same month. She was such an accomplished woman and much more than just a little East Texas girl. She was not only a devoted wife but a dedicated business partner to her husband Tommy. I can remember as a young child when they were just starting out going with them cutting pulpwood. Tommy taught her to operate their Dozer on construction projects they completed together and she was also the person who took care of the office duties all while raising a family. Not only did she drive a school bus but she had a commercial chauffeur license and drove a Prevost 45' Passenger Coach for the college to many functions throughout the state. She was a devout Christian, devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother and friend too many people. Judy blessed all of her family with undivided and equal devotion to every member of her family. She had empathy for others and exhibited that in her selflessness always putting the needs of others before herself. Tommy preceded her in death but she remained very independent and self motivated. She utilized her Bible and Faith in God to set the example for all of us to follow. She is truly one of God's Angels and every life she touched in this world left memories that will always be cherished by those who were so blessed to have known Judy. In loving memory of a truly remarkable person!

Darla Latham - May 07, 2020 at 05:37 PM

DL

“ 4 files added to the album *Judy Lynn Rhodes Cockrell*



Darla Latham - May 07, 2020 at 03:01 PM

DL

“ 1 file added to the album *Judy Lynn Rhodes Cockrell*



Darla Latham - May 07, 2020 at 02:57 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Judy Cockrell.



May 07, 2020 at 01:29 PM

SN

“ Sonya Hayles Nutt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Judy Cockrell



Sonya Hayles Nutt - May 07, 2020 at 08:56 AM

SN

“ I am so sorry for your loss girls! Mrs Judy was always kind and caring and would do anything to help anyone in need. Such a good Mother.
I love you all and am praying for the family. Love always, Sonya Hayles Nutt

Sonya Hayles Nutt - May 07, 2020 at 08:55 AM

SH

Thank you.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 03:13 PM

BC

“ Prayers to Judy's family for comfort. Judy was a lovely lady. She and I was in same class together. She was so sweet and kind. She will be greatly missed.
Barbara Rousey Cook

Barbara Cook - May 06, 2020 at 09:39 PM

WA

“ Wanda lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Judy Cockrell



Wanda - May 06, 2020 at 09:19 PM

WA

So very sorry to hear this , prayers Rhonda and the rest of the family for today in in the days to come ~~

Wanda - May 06, 2020 at 09:22 PM

JC

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Judy, she was an exceptional lady, and loved by all. Praying for the family during these times of “in the valley “, and our Lord’s hand of comfort to engulf all.

John and Sherry Crisp

john crisp - May 06, 2020 at 05:53 PM

SC

Grew up and graduated from high school with Judy. She was a loyal friend and a faithful and devoted wife, mother, daughter, sister and friend. She was loved by all and will be missed by many. May God bless her family in this time of sorrow.
Sallie Gibbs Coleman

Sallie Coleman - May 06, 2020 at 09:15 PM

TN

“ Miss judy is one of the sweetest ladies I have ever known. Always put everyone before herself such an example of a good Christian woman!! I loved her like family and I will miss her!!

Tina Nutt - May 06, 2020 at 04:37 PM

Linda Britton

“ *Linda Britton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Judy Cockrell*



Linda Britton - May 06, 2020 at 01:08 PM

Linda Britton

Judy was such a strong Christian that was a good example to so many including myself. She will be missed but now she's at peace in her heavenly home. Lindy and I send our deepest sympathy to her family.

Linda Britton - May 06, 2020 at 01:12 PM

PW

“ *PAM WORKS lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Judy Cockrell*



PAM WORKS - May 06, 2020 at 10:19 AM

SH

Thank you.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 08:57 PM

PK

“ My dear sweet Freind. Such a fighter and lived life to the fullest. So independent and loved learning. You would amaze me with the stories of working in your van or bush hogging your farm-never asking anyone for help. You never forgot anyone. I cherish the weekly cards I received with such love just letting me know you were praying for me, as I was for you. God Bless you and all of your family. Will miss you sorely. Love you my Freind.

pam kneipp - May 06, 2020 at 08:04 AM

SH

Thank you for your prayers.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 08:57 PM



“ I am so sorry to learn of Ms. Judy's passing. She always had a smile & excitement for the adventure when she came to work. She touched many lives in our community. May your memories give you peace during this difficult time.

Sheila Ritter - May 06, 2020 at 07:53 AM

JD

“ Our love and prayers go out to each of you. Cherish your Mom's sweet and precious memories. Remember the good times. She did fight a "good fight"!!
With love,
The Jerry Don Dorman Family
Jerry, Pat, Jeremy, Lance, Emerson and Everleigh
Isaiah 40:31



Jerry Don and Pat E Dorman - May 05, 2020 at 10:25 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Mrs. Judy Cockrell.*



May 05, 2020 at 10:21 PM



“ *Oh my precious friend! I sure did love you and will always treasure your friendship. You touched my life in a very special way. ❤️ I know you are up there with your beloved Tommy and our precious Lord and Savior and as happy as ever. 🙏🙏🙏*

My prayers are for all of Judy's precious family to find peace and comfort during this very difficult time. ❤️🙏

Kim Collins Davis - May 05, 2020 at 10:21 PM



Thank you.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 08:56 PM



“ *Connie and family, saddened to learn of your loss. Judy was a sweet lady and she will be missed by all who knew her. Kenny and Sharon Sinclair*

Kenny Sinclair - May 05, 2020 at 10:20 PM



Thank you.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 08:58 PM

BE

“ Mrs. Judy was quite a lady, always thinking of others first. She was the most selfless person I know. How she lived her life on a daily basis showed her sincere love for her Savior and Lord. I always looked forward to waiting on her when they owned their business. Girls, my prayers are with you and your families. Becky and Clayton Eubank

Becky - May 05, 2020 at 10:10 PM

SH

Thank you for your kind words and prayers.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 08:56 PM

KC

“ Sad to hear of Judys passing..beautiful inside and out. Prayers of comfort for her family, Kathy Hunter Castillo Class of 1966

KATHRYN CASTILLO - May 05, 2020 at 09:18 PM

SH

Thank you for your prayers.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 08:55 PM

LM

“ Ms. Judy was a sweetheart. I enjoyed our talks so much. She will be truly missed. My deepest condolences and prayers for the family. May God give you peace . Love, Loretta Simmons Morris

Loretta Morris - May 05, 2020 at 09:04 PM

SH

Thank you.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 08:55 PM

KB

“ Judy was such a sweet person. We graduated together and shared many memories!! Prayers for the family.



Kathy Brown - May 05, 2020 at 08:43 PM

SH

Thank you for your prayers.

Sharon Hastings - May 07, 2020 at 08:54 PM



“ My deepest sympathy, prayers and love go to the family. I only have great memories of Mrs. Cockrell, she was always so kind to all of us kids. She will be missed.

Sincerely,
Antoinette Rousey Corbin

Antoinette Corbin - May 05, 2020 at 07:30 PM

DM

“ I'm saddened to hear of my dear friend passing away. We shared many Panola College volleyball bus rides and games, precious phone calls, lunches, and talking about God. Mrs. Judy fought a good fight, she finished the course, and most of all....she kept her faith to the end. Our loss is Heaven's gain! God picked a beautiful flower. To the Cockrell family...God is your Comforter now and in the days to come. 🙏
Darlene McCray
Longview, Texas

Darlene Mccray - May 05, 2020 at 06:11 PM



“ *HeartsWay Hospice*



HeartsWay Hospice - May 05, 2020 at 05:28 PM



“ *Kim Henigan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Judy Cockrell*



Kim Henigan - May 05, 2020 at 05:27 PM