



Mrs. June Abernathy

April 30, 1930 - March 2, 2022

Graveside funeral services for Mrs. June Abernathy, 91, of Carthage, Texas will be 2:00 p.m. Monday, March 7, 2022, at the Antioch Cemetery with Dr. Allen Tilley officiating. Burial will follow under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation will be 6-8:00 p.m. Sunday night at Hawthorn Funeral Home.

Mrs. Ouida June Hightower Abernathy was born April 30, 1930, in the Antioch Community of Panola County, Texas. She passed this life March 2, 2022, in Clayton, Texas. She was one of twelve children born to the marriage of John Grig and Blanche Olivia Goodman Hightower. She was raised and schooled in Carthage graduating with the Bulldog class of 1946. June married her love George Daniel Abernathy March 4, 1947, and they celebrated 57 years of marriage before he preceded her in death in 2005.

Mrs. Abernathy worked for the U.S. Postal Service for almost 30 years. She was the first woman carrier to walk a 13-mile route every day and served as postmaster for both Gary, Texas and Jefferson, Texas before her retirement in 1991.

June was a lifelong member of the First Baptist Church of Carthage serving in the choir, as a Sunday school teacher, WMA Past President, and church clerk. She loved the outdoors, gardening, flowers and was a talented seamstress. She is also preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Jean Hisaw and brothers, Franklin, Reagan, Bud, and Johnny Hightower; sisters, Claudia Clay, and Corine Willoughby;

Mrs. Abernathy is survived by her devoted daughter, Terri Reed and husband Richard of Clayton; loving son, Ronny Abernathy and wife Jo of The Colony; brothers, Danny Hightower of Texarkana, and Bob Hightower and wife Karen of Meeker, OK; sister, Anna Lee Minco and husband Jerry of OK; sister-in-law, Mary Hightower of Stratford, OK; grandchildren, Tina and J.T. Sponsler, Diane and Dan Gerardis, Dan and Ragen Reed, Allen and Laura Reed, Rachel and Jason Davis, Luke Abernathy, Matthew Abernathy, Jontomas Abernathy; thirteen great grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends. Serving as pallbearers will be her grandchildren. The family suggests memorials in her name to the Antioch Cemetery or First Baptist Church of Carthage. An online guestbook may be signed at www.hawthornfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Antioch Cemetery

345 CR 405
Carthage, TX 75633

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Graveside Service

MAR 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

Antioch Cemetery
345 CR 405
Carthage, TX 75633

Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. June Abernathy



Hawthorn Funeral Home - March 05, 2022 at 04:43 PM

MW

What a blessing to watch this beautiful tribute of a lady who is so part of all my memories from childhood on. Loved her and all her precious family. They have meant so much to me and I am so glad God allowed us to be friends all my life. Praying for all in this great loss. Marja

Marja Williams - March 12, 2022 at 09:03 AM

CN

“ Terri,

I am thinking and praying for you today. Your Mother was always there and Loved her family. She was an incredible person. I was so glad I got to see her last year. We Love you and the family

Cathy and Kenny Nail

Cathy Nail - March 07, 2022 at 12:47 PM

SM

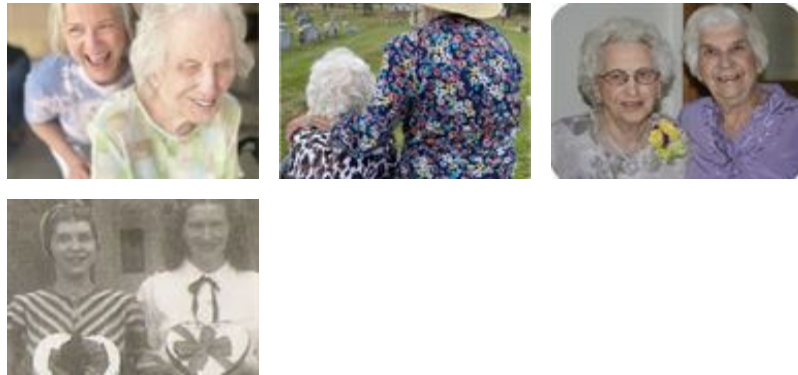
“ Oh this just broke my heart. I so love Mrs. June ❤️🙏prayers and hugs for all her friends and family ❤️❤️❤️🙏🥺



stacie malone - March 07, 2022 at 12:41 AM



“ 4 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hawthorn Funeral Home - March 06, 2022 at 01:56 PM



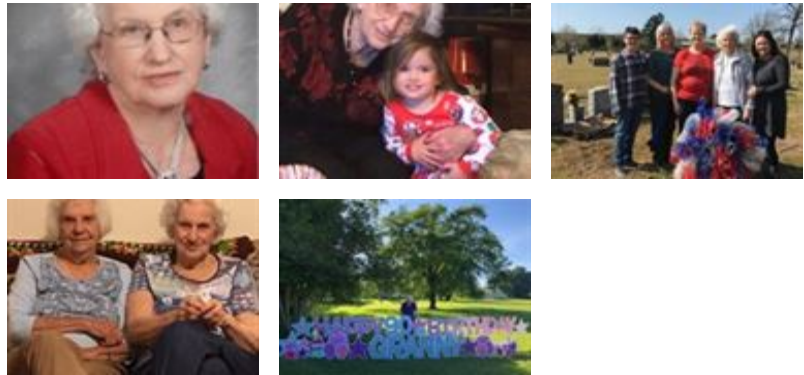
“ Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Mrs. June Abernathy.



March 06, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ 103 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Hawthorn Funeral Home - March 05, 2022 at 04:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mrs. June Abernathy.



March 05, 2022 at 01:53 PM



“ *Linda Duke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. June Abernathy*



Linda Duke - March 05, 2022 at 04:49 AM

LD

“ *Linda Duke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. June Abernathy*



Linda Duke - March 05, 2022 at 04:47 AM

LD

“ *U just love Mrs June. I enjoyed doing her hair and hearing about her life. I will miss her she was a strong and smart women*

Linda Duke - March 05, 2022 at 04:46 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. June Abernathy.*



March 04, 2022 at 02:10 PM

JM

“ *Johnnie Melton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. June Abernathy*



Johnnie Melton - March 04, 2022 at 09:11 AM

JD

“ So sorry to learn of Aunt June's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Joey Dumas - March 04, 2022 at 05:11 AM

CE

“ So sorry...Miss June was a real firecracker! My thoughts and prayers to all of you.

Carla Eggerman

Carla Eggerman - March 03, 2022 at 09:25 PM

JD

“ Sending our love. We have you in our prayers during this sad time. Sorry we will not be able to be with you at this time. Cherish all the sweet memories and keep them close to your hearts.

With love,

The Jerry Don Dorman Family

Jerry, Pat, Jeremy, Lance Allison and girls

Isaiah 40:31



Jerry Don and Pat (Edens) Dorman - March 03, 2022 at 05:26 PM

VI

“ Vicki lit a candle in memory of Mrs. June Abernathy



Vicki - March 03, 2022 at 01:23 PM

AT

“ *What a wonderful legacy Mrs. Abernathy left for you to cherish. Our prayers are with you as you deal with the void of her earthly presence. 🙏. Bobby and Ann Tuttle*

Ann Tuttle - March 03, 2022 at 01:15 PM

DW

“ *David And Pam Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Mrs. June Abernathy*



David and Pam Westbrook - March 03, 2022 at 12:32 PM

AH

“ *Terri and family,
I'm so very sorry for you loss! I praying for
comfort and peace in the days ahead!
Annette I. Harris*



Annette I. Harris - March 03, 2022 at 12:31 PM

HH

“ *Our condolences.*



HeartsWay Hospice - March 03, 2022 at 12:21 PM

KG

“ *Kathy Gollmitzer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. June Abernathy*



Kathy Gollmitzer - March 03, 2022 at 12:02 PM

JH

Teri, Ronie and family. I am so sorry for the loss of Mrs. Abernathy. I know that she will be missed by many. May God grant you peace and comfort in the coming day

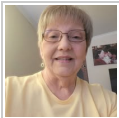
Janice Haley - March 03, 2022 at 01:53 PM



“ *Cathy Woodard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. June Abernathy*



Cathy Woodard - March 03, 2022 at 11:46 AM



Terri, I am so sorry for your loss... Will keep you in my prayers. Love you.

Cathy Woodard - March 03, 2022 at 11:47 AM

BD

Terri I just learned of the passing of your precious mother. I a so sorry but you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love you.

Barbara Dickerson - March 04, 2022 at 01:03 PM