



Mary Dennard

June 12, 1914 - December 3, 2011

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Wylie Dennard, 97 of Carthage, Texas will be Tuesday, December 6, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church of Carthage with Rev. Keefe Cropper officiating. Burial will follow in Bethlehem Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Family visitation will be Monday, December 5, 2011 from 6 – 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Mrs. Dennard died December 3, 2011 in Longview, Texas.

Mary Wylie Dennard was born June 12, 1914 in Pinehill, Texas to James Wylie and Florence Henigan. She was one of six children. Mary was reared and educated in Pinehill, graduating from Henderson High School. She was an active member of the local United Methodist Church. It was at a church meeting where she met her husband, Wayne Dennard from Snap, Texas. He was serving as a representative of the Carthage Methodist Church. After their marriage, they moved to a farm near Carthage on Dixie Lake Road where Mary became a homemaker

and mother. After Wayne's retirement, they moved to Carthage. Mary was an active and loyal seventy plus member of the Carthage United Methodist Church and scholarship sponsor in honor of her son, Kennedy for Panola County Junior College. She was a well known, highly respected, and loved by

the Pinehill and Carthage communities. Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne Dennard, her son, Kennedy Dennard, as well as her three brothers, Sanford Wylie, Woodroe Wylie, and James Wylie, Jr. and her two sisters, Laydene Jones and Violet Matthiessen.

Mrs. Dennard is survived by her nieces and nephews Sanford Wylie, Jr. and wife Susan of Bella Vista, AR, Barbara Delaney and husband John of Dallas, James Wylie, Jr. and wife Debbie of Columbus OH, Ginny Helms and husband Gary of Tyler and Marie Styron of Tyler, numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

Serving as Pallbearers will be Davis Pass, Joe Hudson, Michael Delaney, James Delaney, William Delaney, John Delaney and Steven Delaney.

The family request memorials be made to First United Methodist Church of Carthage.

Previous Events

Service

DEC 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church - Carthage
201 S. Shelby
Carthage, TX

Tribute Wall



“ Aunt Mary has always been a joy in my life. But when daddy, who was Mary's oldest brother, passed in 2000, her presence became especially comforting. She startled me with her wisdom in so many ways. Recently, I was driving her around the dirt roads at her old family farm in Pinehill. I was going at what I thought was an appropriate speed. To my surprise, she leaned over to me and said: Rev it up, Babs! Rev it up! Babs was her nickname for me.

What I will miss most about Mary were our long conversations into the night. She once told me that she had seen people's lives ruined who got hung up in the past.

God has called her home, but I still didn't want her to go. And when I get down and am longing for the past, I'll remember her words: "Live in the present, look to the future, and rev it up Babs! Rev it up!"

Your loving niece,
Barbara###imported-begin##Barbara Wylie Delaney###imported-end##

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“ We were nineteen in number, we cousins directly spon from the sons and daughter of Jesse and Alma Amanda Dennard. As one, I can vouch that each had a close and fostering attachment to our Aunt Mary. Why? Because she cared about us.###imported-begin##Alma Lucille Dennard Buck###imported-end##

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“ Dearest Cousin,
So grateful you are spending this Christmas with all those you loved
and missed so dearly these long years.
See all of you soon.
Love always,
Ann###imported-begin###Ann Gail Jordan###imported-end##

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“ Loved her...she was such a sweet lady. I'm glad we moved to the
neighborhood so I could get to know her better. Always enjoyed
talking with her and hearing the interesting things she had to
say.###imported-begin###Teresa Dennard###imported-end##

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“ Dear Aunt Mary took care of too many to mention - especially for
years her husband's parents, then her husband, always watching
over all the Dennard "kinfolk" hosting huge meals and coffee taking
everyone into her fold, always friends and family dropping by to
visit. The finest Christian lady, and sharpest political mind, close
friend and confidant of my mother, her sister in law, Claire Dennard,
and myself. I have such fond memories of youth being with her, and
her wonderful stories that I got to hear in later years. I have always
looked up to and loved you Aunt Mary, and always will.###imported-
begin###Lsura Zeiher###imported-end##

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“ We will always have fond childhood memories of our visits and reunions at the Dennard family farm, with Aunt Mary and Uncle Wayne.##imported-begin##Mary Holland Yamagata##imported-end##

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“ She was a long time family friend and a sweet lady.##imported-begin##Ike Reeves##imported-end##

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“ I was blessed to know Mary Dennard for the last 18 years of her life, and my life will always be richer for the time I was able to spend with her. She will be missed, and will always hold a special place in my heart.##imported-begin##Deb McAlister-Holland##imported-end##

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