



Mrs. Ouida Gill Walker

April 28, 1916 - April 17, 2018

Graveside funeral services for Mrs. Ouida Gill Walker, 101, of Carthage, Texas will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the Odd Fellows Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home.

Mrs. Ouida Louise Gill Walker was born April 28, 1916 in Hopkins County, Texas. She passed April 17, 2018 at her Carthage, Texas home peacefully surrounded by her family.

Ouida was one of three girls born to the marriage of Allen and Margaret Smith Gill. She was raised and schooled in Brasher later graduating from Royce City High School and attended business college in Dallas. Ouida would move to Carthage with her family where she met Jacob Camp "Jake" Walker and they married October 1, 1935, raised three children and celebrated 64 years of marriage before he preceded her in death in December of 2000.

Jake and Ouida would own and operate the historic Esquire Theatre in downtown Carthage. Ouida was a longtime member of Central Baptist Church, active in the Women of Missions, and the Silver Strummers. Along with the Esquire, Ouida and Jake were early chicken farmers and their family remains in that business today. Ouida was a sweet and loving wife, mother, sister, grandmother and friend. She is also preceded in death by her parents, sisters, Eugenia Smith and Ruth Jacobs, son, J. Gill Walker and a granddaughter, Mary Cooper.

Mrs. Walker is survived by her devoted daughter, Melody Cooper and husband Jerry of Arp, son, Bob Walker and wife Icephene of Carthage,

grandchildren, Jeremy Cooper of Tyler, Jason Cooper of Arp, Sheena Walker of Dallas, and Joseph Walker of Carthage, numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

The family requests memorials to Heartsway Hospice or Central Baptist Church. An online guestbook may be signed at www.hawthornfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Odd Fellows Cemtery

Carthage, TX

Previous Events

Service

APR 21. 11:00 AM.

Graveside

Tribute Wall



“ Mrs. Walker, was a kind woman to all of us that went to the Esquire Theater. She had lots of patience with the young crowd. Thanks to her & Mr. Walker for giving Carthage a place to enjoy big screen movies. Bless all of her family, Lord. Prayers for you all, in the days ahead. May His peace & love surround you all. She made our town a better place to live.



Cynthia McKnight - April 22, 2018 at 12:16 PM



“ Elaine Ross lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ouida Gill Walker

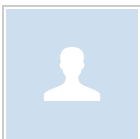


Elaine Ross - April 19, 2018 at 02:26 PM



“ Always will remember Ms. Walker checking on us kids at the Esquire with her flashlight. Sweet lady. She will be missed.

Shannon Ebarb - April 19, 2018 at 11:30 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ouida Gill Walker.



April 19, 2018 at 11:09 AM

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“ *Tim and Carolyn Harrigan*

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RM

“ *Mrs. Ouida was so sweet. We're all better people for having known her. She allowed me to interview her for a story when I worked at the newspaper. She was so gracious.*

Rodger McLane - April 18, 2018 at 04:17 PM

FL

Extending sympathy to the family I was born at Carthage year 1922 and remember them when they had the theater and my parents Otto and Ruby Brewster knew them long before me. Thoughts and prayers for all.. Fay B Lancaster

Fay Brewster Lancaster - April 18, 2018 at 06:46 PM

SW

Stephen, KellyAnn, Stephanie and Sarah Walker would like to extend our deepest sympathy and prayers to all the family. I will surely miss that wonderful bread she would make for everyone. Some of my fondest memories as a child was when I would sit in the ticket booth at the Esquire and punch the ticket buttons for her. And, she would let me eat all the popcorn I wanted. What a great long life she was blessed with!

Stephen Walker - April 19, 2018 at 11:14 AM

SW

My father, John S. Walker would like to extend his deepest sympathy and prayers to the family. He regrettably will not be able to make the funeral since he is in the hospital. He wanted me to extend his love to Ouida and family.

Stephen Walker - April 20, 2018 at 11:28 PM



So sorry for your loss. My earliest memories as a child surround the Walkers; from school, church at Central Baptist, and getting my first puppy from them.

Tony Lockridge - December 31, 2018 at 03:03 PM