



Rosa Lee Edge

April 18, 1918 - January 18, 2011

Funeral services for Rosa Lee Edge, 92, of Carthage, Texas will be 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 21, 2011 at Central Baptist Church with Rev. Steve Jackson and Rev. James Edge officiating. Burial will follow in the Old Center Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Family visitation will be Thursday, January 20, 2011 from 6–8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Mrs. Edge passed away Tuesday, January 18, 2011 in Carthage, Texas.

Mrs. Rosa Lee Hancock Edge was born April 18, 1918 in Old Center Community of Panola County, Texas to the marriage of Robert Earl “Bob” and Stella Johnson Hancock. Rosa Lee graduated from Carthage High School with the class of 1935, later attending Stephen F. Austin State University. After obtaining her Bachelors, Mrs. Edge achieved her Masters of Education in 1956. While working towards her Masters, Rosa Lee taught grades one through five at Rural Flat Woods School, a one teacher school in Panola County. She married Eldon Rual Edge in December of 1939 and celebrated 58 years together until he preceded her in death in 1998. She continued to teach at different schools such as sixth grade at Leverett’s Chapel, fourth grade at Carthage, and eventually became principal of Libby Primary School from 1974-1979. Mrs. Edge was the Area Vice President of Texas Association for the Improvement of Reading, President of Carthage Classroom Teachers, President of the East Texas Area Council of Social Studies and the Vice-President of Texas Gamma Beta Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, International Honorary Sorority for Woman Educators. Among the many accomplishments,

Rosa Lee also made time to teach the Adult Women's Alathean Sunday School Class at Central Baptist church where she was a long time member. Mrs. Edge is preceded in death by her parents, husband and siblings, Emory Hancock and Bobbie Jean McDaniel.

Mrs. Edge is survived by her children, Rodney Edge of Kyle, Ralph Edge and wife Glenda of Carthage, Gary Edge of High Point, North Carolina; brother, Charles Hancock and wife June of Tenaha; sister, Pauline Hansen of Whitesboro; grandchildren, Karan and John Haverstock and husband John of Dallas, Chad Edge of Carthage, Kirk and Donna Edge of new Braunsfels, Bobby Edge of Austin, Steve Edge and wife Mariana of Austin, Amanda Edge of New York, New York; Great grandchildren, Abigail Edge of Austin, Annie Edge of Austin, Krista and Chris Dickerson of Carthage, Ashleigh Edge of Carthage, Courtney Edge of Carthage, Michael Edge of Carthage, Dylan Edge of New New Braunsfels, Allison Edge of New Braunsfels; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Serving as pallbearers are Bill O'Neal, Gary Claxton, Chris Maurtizen, Raymond Scheifer, Steve Roberson and Ralph Marshall. Honorary pallbearers are Tim Harrigan, Ralph Todd, Bill Price, Drew Darnell and Sammy Moore.

Family requests memorials be made to the Old Center Cemetery.

Previous Events

Service

JAN **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Central Baptist Church
220 W. Sabine
Carthage, TX

Tribute Wall



“ I am saddened today as I learn of the loss of Mrs. Edge. There are a lot of people who impact our lives in many ways, but not many like her. Mrs. Edge was always "my favorite" teacher. Her compassion for education and love for all of her students was beyond measure. These traits, coupled with her warm, beautiful smile made me and each of her students feel special. I can remember always wanting to do well in her class because I knew she WANTED me to do well. What a truly wonderful, loving spirit. May she rest in peace and may each of you in her family find solace in all of the wonderful memories of her life.##imported-begin##Dawn Dison Smith##imported-end##

February 07, 2011 at 07:38 PM



“ I have such fond memories of Mrs. Edge. She was such a wonderful and dedicated teacher and such a lady in every way. It was a pleasure to have known her.

Amanda Allums Grappe'##imported-begin##Amanda Grappe'##imported-end##

January 25, 2011 at 09:11 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Edge was my teacher in elementary school and always showed me such kindness. She was a wonderful person and a dedicated teacher. I have thought of her often through the years. My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Tonjoh Langford Nichols##imported-end##

January 25, 2011 at 10:44 AM



“ God bless the family. Fond memories, she really had her hands full with my twin brother and me! Those early years in small town Carthage really formed our lives.
My prayers and thoughts are with you
Rev Bill Stovall
Burwell United Methodist Church###imported-begin##Rev Bill Stovall###imported-end##

January 24, 2011 at 08:11 AM



“ I wanted to express my sadness to the Edge family. Mrs. Edge was my 4th grade teacher many many years ago. After I moved back to Carthage a few years ago I wondered about Mrs. Edge. Im sorry I didnt seek her out. She is joining a company of angels. God Bless her###imported-begin##Robin Murray West###imported-end##

January 23, 2011 at 08:39 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. Mrs. Edge was a wonderful teacher. I'm praying for you all.
Thereasa Barton###imported-begin##Thereasa Barton###imported-end##

January 22, 2011 at 08:50 PM



“ Your mother was a wonderful person. Her rose garden used to be an inspiration as we drove by on Bird Drive. I know you will miss her.###imported-begin##Thomas M. Hogue, II###imported-end##

January 22, 2011 at 11:28 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Mrs. Rosa Lee. She was a wonderful woman.##imported-begin##Gary Bazer##imported-end##

January 22, 2011 at 12:30 AM



“ Dear Edge Family,

How very sorry I was to learn of Mrs. Edge's passing. She was a very dear lady to me and to my children. She was their principal at Libby and probably set Melinda on the right path at a very early age. She had a way of getting her point across and instilling values that the children didn't realize at the time, but have been life lessons as they grew older. I will always be forever grateful to her as she directed Melinda. Both Lorie and Melinda thought the world of Mrs. Edge and spoke very highly of her as they grew up and realize the impact she made on their lives. Thanks for sharing your Mom with so many. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Pattie Turner##imported-end##

January 21, 2011 at 10:38 PM



“ Our prayers are with the family.
Donald and Dorothy Hogue##imported-begin##Donald Hogue##imported-end##

January 21, 2011 at 07:42 PM



“ We are so grateful for Aunt Rosa Lee's words of encouragement throughout the years. Her godly influence and love of family will be missed.##imported-begin##Dr. Raymond Edge & Family##imported-end##

January 21, 2011 at 03:52 PM



“ I remeber her as a great teacher and neighbor. Our prayers are with you all.

Kerry R. Kilgore & family##imported-begin##Kerry R. Kilgore##imported-end##

January 21, 2011 at 12:42 PM



“ My dear cousin Rosa Lee led a life of service to family, friends, community, and church. She left the world a better place.

Her life was inspiring to all who knew her. My heartfelt condolences to her beloved family.##imported-begin##Dr. Betty Ruth Heard##imported-end##

January 21, 2011 at 10:40 AM



“ The memory of Mrs. Rosa Lee will always be precious to me. She was my 4th grade teacher as well as my Sunday School teacher for many years. She made Little House on the Prairie come to life every day after lunch in our little classroom at Baker. The best life lesson was given to me by Mrs. Rosa Lee.....the strongest tree in the forest is the one that has weathered the most storms.....she was an amazing lady. she will be missed. I love you, Mrs. Rosa

Lee.##imported-begin##Carolyn Harrigan##imported-end##

January 21, 2011 at 12:05 AM



“ Rosa Lee was a dear cousin to her Pou relatives. We always enjoyed seeing her at the reunions in Carthage at the Tea Room. My sympathy to the Edge family and to her many descendants.
Fran Heugatter
Spring, TX###imported-begin###Fran Heugatter###imported-end##

January 20, 2011 at 06:50 PM



“ Mrs. Edge was a very special lady. I will always remember how beautiful her yard was. May your memories of her held deep within your heart help soothe your spirit at this difficult time.###imported-begin###Mary Ann Tatum###imported-end##

January 20, 2011 at 10:37 AM



“ I did my student teaching at Libby Elementary in 2nd grade with Dena Holmes when your mother was the principal in 1978-79. My husband had been transferred to Carthage from Mississippi with his job. We had two daughters and knew no one.

Your precious mother took me under her wings, invited us to her church and into her home. She befriended me when I needed a friend. She was so much more than a principal to me. I admired her and loved spending time with her.

I was hired to teach 2nd grade after I completed my student teaching but had to resign early in the summer because I found out I was expecting our 3rd child. Again, she came to my rescue. She sat on the sofa at her house and helped me write a letter of resignation to the board.

I know I am only one of hundreds of teachers and children who were touched by her loving and encouraging life.

As I read the Longview paper this morning, I was saddened to think about her passing, but so thankful that God allowed her to live for 92 years, so she could be a blessing to others. You have my sincere sympathy in the loss of one so special. I will never forget her.##imported-begin##Carolyn Carter##imported-end##

January 20, 2011 at 09:38 AM



“ I had Mrs. Edge in the fourth grade in the 1953-1954 school year. She was a lovely lady and good teacher. That school year was the best one for me. Mrs Edge was one of the last of my teachers left. She will be missed.

Ike Reeves##imported-begin##Ike Reeves##imported-end##

January 20, 2011 at 06:01 AM



“ Rodney - I was saddened to read of your Mom's passing. Many memorable hours were spent at your house and in the woods around your house when we were growing up. Remember hunting crawfish with our B-B guns behind the house? Your Mom always made me feel welcomed at your house. I will cherish her memory. Martha and I will be thinking of you and praying for you.##imported-begin##Jimmy Bush##imported-end##

January 20, 2011 at 05:31 AM



“ We'll love you always Aunt Rosa Lee##imported-begin##Nettie Lamb##imported-end##

January 19, 2011 at 09:43 PM



“ Rosa Lee was one of the best teachers that my children ever had in Carthage. My prayers are with you all at this time.##imported-begin##Dorothy Kilgore Garth##imported-end##

January 19, 2011 at 09:11 AM