



Mrs. Shirley Diane Hamilton

June 10, 1937 - August 10, 2023

Funeral services for Mrs. Shirley Hamilton, 86, of Carthage, Texas will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, August 12, 2023, at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Adams Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation will be 6-8:00 p.m. Friday night at Hawthorns.

Mrs. Shirley Diane McMellon Hamilton was born June 24, 1937 at her family homeplace in Logan, Texas. She passed this life August 10, 2023 in Longview, Texas. Shirley was the younger of two children born to the marriage of Lewis Theodore "Buster" and Eunice Irene "Big Mub" Creech McMellon. She was raised and schooled in Logansport, Louisiana graduating with the class of 1955. She began her career as a security guard which lead to over twenty years in law enforcement in both dispatch and patrol for the Panola County Sheriff's Office and Carthage Police Department.

Shirley was a loving homemaker and mother to her only son. She played the piano and loved the ranch life, cattle, horses and was a cattle buyer. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Steven Dwayne Hamilton in 1974 and a brother, L.E. McMellon and his wife Betty.

Mrs. Hamilton is survived by her devoted son, William Lewis Gatewood and wife Melinda Gatewood; grandson, Chris Graham and wife Melissa; great grandchildren, Cayson Graham and Kentleigh Hannah; and a host of friends.

Cemetery Details

Adams Cemetery

1108 CR 456
Carthage, TX 75633

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home
307 West Wellington Street, P.O. Box 188
Carthage, TX

Funeral Service

AUG 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Shirley Diane Hamilton



Hawthorn Funeral Home - August 11, 2023 at 11:18 AM

MB

“ I'm Mona Ann hoping I can connect with my brother...903-780-8383

MONA BURCH - March 18, 2025 at 10:20 PM

CR

“ Scamp and family. My years of growing up in Galloway, were great! Alot of my memories include your Mom and mine, Bernice Harris, visiting, laughing always having a good time. Shirley was a sweet lady with sweet smile. My prayer are for peace and comfort in the days ahead. Connie

Connie and Milton Rogers - August 14, 2023 at 03:30 PM

MR

Milton and Connie Rogers

Milton and Connie Rogers - August 14, 2023 at 03:35 PM

AM

“ Prayers for you Scamp, may your mom's memory forever be in your heart ❤️

Arlene Mayfield - August 13, 2023 at 11:17 PM

BD

“ *Mrs. Hamilton was a very nice lady. My condolences to her family. May she rest in peace.* ”

Bob Dawson - August 12, 2023 at 01:13 PM

SG

“ *William, Sorry to learn of your Mother's passing. I know how close you were to your Mom. Praying for you, Melinda and the rest of your family.* ”

Steve Garrett - August 12, 2023 at 05:29 AM

CF

“ *My love and admiration for that Sweet lady. Rest easy my friend.* ”

Chick Fortenberry - August 12, 2023 at 03:56 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Shirley Diane Hamilton.* ”



August 11, 2023 at 03:44 PM

BB

“ On behalf of Public Safety Director Stephanie Heffner, we offer out sincerest sympathies & prayers of Peace & Comfort during this time of transition.

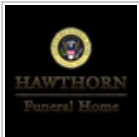
We respectfully honor her for her many years as a dedicated Public Servant.

"Well done, good and faithful servant..."

PS - Criminal Justice
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Beverly A Brooks - August 11, 2023 at 11:52 AM



“ 36 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hawthorn Funeral Home - August 11, 2023 at 11:12 AM