



## Genell Rhodes Ponder

August 31, 1934 - April 14, 2025

Genell Rhodes Ponder entered Heaven on Monday, April 14, 2025. She was a beautiful, loving lady known for her gorgeous smile and wonderful laugh. She was born August 31, 1934, to C.L. and Lillian (Henderson) Rhodes of Cryer Creek. The second-born of 10 (eight surviving) children, she adored her siblings.

Genell and H.R. Ponder enjoyed 64 years of marriage. The couple welcomed and loved daughters, Cynthia Cain (Monte) and Cathy Brooks (Steve), and grandchildren Chad Pope, Brent Pope, Kyle Pope (Celeste), Lee Brooks (Olivia), and Maddie Elemento (Sean), who further blessed Genell with great-grandchildren: Ashlyn Pope, Haley Pope, Dalila Pope, Maddax Pope, Caitlyn Pope, Chloe Pope, Henry Brooks, and soon-to-arrive Baby Elemento. Genell cherished each family member and held special affection for Jessica Hanson Shaver.

A long-time member of First Baptist Church Corsicana, her love for the Lord and her friends was well-known. She enjoyed working and was employed for 27 years by Corsicana's Community National Bank and Trust of Texas.

The family wishes to thank the staff of Heritage Oaks, Hand in Hand Hospice, Twilight Home, and special family and friends who were so faithful to visit.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 17th from 6-8pm at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Funeral Service will be 11am Friday, April 18th at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to First Baptist Church, Corsicana.

# Cemetery Details

## Rose Hill Cemetery

300 Rose Hill Road  
Blooming Grove, TX 76626

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana  
1530 N. 45th Street  
Corsicana, TX 75110  
(903) 874-4774  
info@griffin-roughton.com

## Funeral Service

APR 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ So very sorry to learn of Mrs. Ponder's passing.  
She was such a delightful, Christian lady.  
[May] the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, .  
... guard [each of] your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.  
In His Love,  
Guy & Ailsa (Flynn) Anderson

A - April 20, 2025 at 12:07 AM



“ MORGANA HORTON TERRY lit a candle in  
memory of Genell Ponder



MORGANA HORTON TERRY - April 17, 2025 at 03:23 PM



“ Genell had the best laugh of anyone I've ever  
known & she shared it often. I don't care how  
bad a day was going, if you heard Genell  
laughing, a smile would automatically appear  
on your face. She kept her angel wings  
tucked close under her blouse/dress & she tried to keep those little  
devil horns hidden by her hair! But you can believe she had both.  
The world was a better place for having her here & I cherish the  
time I worked with & loved this beautiful lady.



Sherri Richardson - April 17, 2025 at 10:53 AM

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“ *Beautiful lady inside and out. Always loved her smile at the bank.* ”

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**Jane Harris** - April 16, 2025 at 04:26 PM