



## Helen Curington

September 22, 1926 - February 13, 2010

Helen Elaine (Johnston) Curington passed away on Saturday, February 13, 2010 in Corsicana. She was born September 22, 1926 to Walter G. and Jewel Hamilton Johnston in her grandparents' (Dr. & Mrs. J.J. Hamilton) home at Eureka, Texas. She was a graduate of Corsicana High School. Following her graduation she worked at the State National Bank. When her high school sweetheart, Bud Curington, returned from World War II, they married in 1946. During their marriage they lived in Greenville, Texas, Wellington, Texas, and Tucson, Arizona before returning home to Corsicana. They bought a house and made it a loving home where they raised two sons and lived a long and happy life. Helen was a homemaker and kept the books for Curington Cleaners. She later worked as bookkeeper for many years with Wolf Brand Chili and concluded her working career with Joe Sims Partners Accountants. She never stopped being a homemaker. Helen was truly the matriarch of the family, giving tirelessly of her time and love. She devoted herself to her husband and other family members during lengthy illnesses. She never thought of herself but always put others first. She was deeply loved and respected by her family and all who knew her. She was a lady in every sense of the word. She was a lifelong member of the Presbyterian Church, and served as both deacon and elder, again serving her God and church with unflinching devotion. She was recognized with an Honorary Life Membership by Presbyterian Women U.S.A. in 2005. She was preceded in death by her husband, C. O. (Bud) Curington, Jr.; her parents, Walter Johnston and Jewel

Hamilton Johnston, her sister Dorothy (Toni) Williamson and her brother John Allen (Johnny) Johnston. She is survived by her two sons, Chip Curington and wife Becky, and David Curington and wife Mona, all of Corsicana; three grandchildren and their spouses: Lauren and David Phinney of College Station, Andy and Crystal Curington of Waco, and John and Casi Curington of Denton; five great-grandchildren: Kathryn Anne, Calvin and Becka Phinney, Andrew Curington, and Caden Curington; brother-in-law Paul Curington, sister-in-law Mary Ann Slimp; numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews, and many dear friends in Corsicana. Visitation will be held from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Services will be at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at the Westminster Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Darla Blatnik officiating. A private family interment will follow at a later date at Resthaven Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Andy Curington, John Curington, David Phinney, Bobby Williamson, Bobby Cuthbertson, Jack Cuthbertson, Chuck Burns, and Joe Allen Sims. Honorary pallbearers include the Singles-Doubles Sunday School class and the Presbyterian Women. Memorials may be made to the Westminster Presbyterian Church or the charity of your choice.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Curington*

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October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Chip,Becky,David & Mona;  
May the memories of your mother and those speial times you  
shared together be of comfort to you now and in the days ahead  
bringing peace to your heart.*

*She was a special person like Miss J.*

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**Peggy Thomas** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *To all the family, I send my heartfelt condolences. Mrs. Curington  
was a lovely woman through and through. She will be sorely missed  
by all those that loved her. Life is so short! But I know your  
wonderful memories will sustain you. Warmly, Jen*

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**Jennifer Griffin** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ *Chip and Family,*  
*We were so very sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. I realize what an understatement it is to say that you must miss her so very much. [Daddy died fourteen months ago and it still feels like yesterday.]*  
*Mother was very fond of your mother and mentioned what a lovely lady she was. I remember a sweet lady who was one of those wonderful parents who was always there for us band kiddos. How lucky we all were to share those special parents!*  
*Know that we are remembering you in our thoughts and prayers -- praying especially for His Peace.*  
*With love,*  
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**Ailsa Flynn Anderson** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ Was so very sorry to hear of Helen's passing. What a lovely demeanor she had. Always a smile for everyone. I hold warm memories of her in my mind and shall keep them always. My particular regards to young John.

Sincerely.

*Fran Stroud*

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**Fran Stroud** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. Helen was such an exceptional lady as was Bud. This is why she had such a wonderful family also. All of the Curingtons were such an important part of our lives. Many prayers and thoughts are with you all.

*Jan Long and Mary Alice Chapman*

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**Jan Chapman Long/Mary Alice Chapman** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Chip, Becky, Lauren and Andy sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

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**Matt Hamby** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Helen was a very sweet lady. We worked together at Wolf Brand Chili. Times I will never forget. God Bless her!

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**Debra Armstrong** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ We are so very sad to hear of the death of your mother. Helen was an outstanding example of a christian lady. You never heard Helen say anything bad about someone, she was always positive and served the Lord in everything she did. She and Bud will be waiting for you when your time comes. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Earl Scarborough** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Chip, Your mother is in almost every memory of Westminster Presbyterian that I have. She was always sweet and thoughtful and kind. Over the years she never failed to take the time to speak to me when I was visiting. I could always hear the pride in her voice as she gave me the update on you and Becky I asked for.

*Margaret*

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**Margaret Spikes Herman** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Our thoughts are with the family.

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**Carol Johnston Burnett** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Chip and Becky, Helen was always a good friend to my mother, Louella Hagle. In this time of sorrow, I just wanted you to know we are thinking of you.

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**Kay Hagle-Romo** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Aunt Helen was the quintessential lady, always gracious, always serving others. During Mother's extended illness she faithfully came every week to visit. As Mother's memory failed all we had to do was tell her it was Wednesday and she knew "Sweet Little Helen" would be by to see her. She visited when it was not easy to do. She knelt down by Mother's chair every single time and told her how much she loved her. It is a memory that I will cherish forever.

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**Betty Curington Prather** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time of your loss.

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**Joan C. Summitt** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ It was my pleasure to have know Helen, I met her when she was caring for her Aunt Polly. Helen was a caring and loving person. She will be greatly missed by all. You are all in my prayers.

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**Jackie Richards** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ A great, lovely lady has left us, and we are sad. My thoughts and prayers are with you during these darkest of hours. But look in your heart and be blessed that she was such a loving part of your lives for many, many years. The good Lord knew what he was doing---he gave you memories that you will treasure, and they will always be with you.

God bless,  
Babbette

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**Babbette Samuels** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ May you find comfort in the memories that are yours to cherish always, and strength in the companionship of those who share your loss.... I have learned never to underestimate the healing power we all have. It is always there to be used for the highest good. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. (Matthew 5:4) May it be a source of inner strength to know that there's a loving God watching over you, and that, throughout this time of need, He'll stay close by your side. I have fought the fine fight, I have run the course to the finish, I have observed the faith.-2Timothy 4:7. As for me, I will lie down that I may sleep; I shall certainly awake, for Jehovah himself keeps supporting me. -Psalms 3:5

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**Magallon Family** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of need. the loss of a loved one is one of life's trials, but the knowledge that she is in a much better place, and with those that she loves, makes that loss easier to bear. may god bless you and comfort you.

*the family of the late o.d.locklar*

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AH

“ Our prayer and thoughts are with the family in this time of loss. May God hold you tight in His arms, may His grace abide even stronger than ever and my His Spirit Comfort you each.

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**Alison Humann** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Our hearts go out to you all at this time, we have lost a beautiful lady, but Heaven has received a beautiful angel. Mom thought so much of Helen and it has broke her heart to hear of your loss. I have some of her wonderful recipes that I will cherish forever. She has touched many hearts and will be remembered forever. Cherish your wonderful memories and keep them close to your heart forever.

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**Diane Douglas** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Helen was always such a busy little go-getter that it's hard to believe she is gone. She's with her brother, sisters, mom, dad and husband so she must be in a better place. Please know my thoughts and those of my daughter, Stephanie, are with you during this difficult time.

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**Becky Nowlin Walker** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Beloved sister-in-law and aunt - We will miss you.

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**Mary Ann Curington Slimp** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Helen Curington

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**Mary Ann Curington** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Chip, Becky and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Mrs. Curington was always such a pleasant person and pleasure to be around.

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**Evelyn Broxson** - February 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM