



Joyce Watkins

June 7, 1938 - February 24, 2020

Joyce Watkins of Tyler, Texas and formerly of Franklin and Blooming Grove passed from this life on Monday, February 24, 2020 in Tyler at the age of 81. She was born in Caddo, Oklahoma to Melvin J.R. Boatman and Frances Blakney Boatman. She was a homemaker taking care of her home and raising her children. Joyce loved to play bingo and was a very outgoing person who would go to the store and spend time visiting with whoever she met while she was there.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband of 60 years John E. Watkins who passed in 2018, sister Sue Lane and brother Melvin Boatman. Joyce is survived by her children; Johnny Watkins and wife Penny of Tyler, Melvin Watkins of China Springs, Gary Watkins and wife Sharon of Franklin and George Page and wife Joy of Haughton, LA. 14 grandchildren and 35 great grandchildren. Sisters Linda Preston and Carol Owens of Corsicana and a sister-in-law Margie Boatman of Waxahachie. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews and extended family members.

A celebration of her life will be Sunday, March 1, 2020 at 3:00pm in the Chapel at Griffin - Roughton Funeral Home with Johnathan Watkins officiating and Matthew Watkins giving the eulogy. Musical selections will be provided by Caleb and Emily canal. Visitation will be from 2:00pm till service time in the chapel. Burial will take place at Dresden Cemetery.

The family asks that memorials be made to Hospice of East Texas at 4111 University BLVD Tyler, Texas 75701.

Cemetery Details

Dresden Cemetery

13500 Farm to Market 744
Barry, TX 75102

Previous Events

Family Visitation

MAR 1. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana
1530 N. 45th Street
Corsicana, TX 75110
(903) 874-4774
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Celebration of Life

MAR 1. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Watkins*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Joyce Watkins.*



February 28, 2020 at 10:36 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joyce Watkins.*



February 28, 2020 at 10:30 AM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Joyce Watkins.*



February 27, 2020 at 03:14 PM

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“ *Sharonjean Russell lit a candle in memory of Joyce Watkins*



Sharonjean Russell - February 27, 2020 at 11:51 AM

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“ *Denise lit a candle in memory of Joyce Watkins*



Denise - February 26, 2020 at 06:58 PM

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“ *She will be truly missed and she will forever be in our heart. We love you aunt Joyce.*

Denise - February 26, 2020 at 06:56 PM