



Martha Jane Dowdle

October 27, 1946 - April 20, 2026

Martha Jane Dowdle, 79, passed away peacefully on April 20, 2026, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on October 27, 1946, in Groesbeck, Texas, to John Ray Archer and Margaret Joe McPherson. On August 14, 1965, she married the love of her life, Millard Dowdle, and together they shared 60 wonderful years of marriage.

Martha was a devoted and active member of Westhill Church of Christ since 1989, where she faithfully served others through Food of Fitness and by teaching Bible classes. Her servant's heart and dedication to her church family touched many lives.

She had a creative spirit and enjoyed crafts, sewing, and making photo albums. She also loved to travel. Martha and Millard explored nearly every state in the U.S., as well as Mexico and Canada, creating a lifetime of cherished memories together. Over the years, they lived in Mexia, Coolidge, Amarillo, Suisun and Fairfield, California; Waco; Comanche; Kerens; Metairie, Louisiana; and New Orleans, Louisiana.

Above all, Martha loved her family deeply and treasured every moment spent with them.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Jerry Don Archer; and her sister, Wanda McKinney.

Martha is survived by her beloved husband of 60 years, Millard Dowdle; her daughters, Leann Skinner and husband Ronny, and Mika Lanett Mendoza and husband Joel; her sister, Mary Mann and husband Robert; her grandsons, Manny Jordan Pimentel and wife Liz, Miguel Alexander Pimentel, and Jimmy Mendoza; along with a host of nieces, nephews, brothers-in-law, and sisters-in-law.

Visitation will be held Thursday, April 23, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2026, at the Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home Chapel. A graveside service will follow at 2:30 p.m. at Old Union Cemetery in Groesbeck. Pallbearers will be her grandsons and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Westhill Church of Christ Benevolence Fund 3400 West Highway 22 Corsicana, Texas 75110.

Cemetery Details

Old Union Cemetery

4058 FM 3371
Groesbeck, TX 76642

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 23. 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

Celebration of Life

APR 24. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

APR **24**. 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Martha Jane Dowdle.*



April 24 at 08:50 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Martha Jane Dowdle.*



April 23 at 12:05 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Martha Jane Dowdle.*

April 23 at 12:05 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Martha Jane Dowdle.*



April 22 at 09:31 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Martha Jane Dowdle.*



April 22 at 08:17 AM



“ *Darlene, Robert, Megan, Jami, & families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Martha Jane Dowdle.*



Darlene, Robert, Megan, Jami, & families - April 21 at 09:39 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Martha Jane Dowdle.*



April 21 at 02:43 PM