



Norma Watkins

September 10, 1925 - May 2, 2012

Norma Jean went to be with the Lord on May 2, 2012. She was born in Navarro County on September 10, 1925 to Otis Warner and Rachael Bell Farmer. Norma Jean attended Emhouse schools where she met her sweetheart, Dewey Carmack Watkins. On January 14, 1944, they began what would turn into a 68 year marriage. Norma's family always enjoyed her and Carmack's fond memories of Mr. Bill Watkins taking them into town by horse and wagon on a muddy, cold January day to be married and then being dropped off at the local Boarding House for their honeymoon. They started and raised their family in Corsicana. Norma was a giving mother that also worked at Adams Hat Factory for a few years as well as being a board certified teaching cosmetologist. She always looked forward to spending the hot Texas summers caring for her children along with helping to raise her her brothers, Johnny, Jimmy, and Charlie Farmer and her nieces, Lynda and Vicki Farmer. Norma enjoyed sewing, shopping, and traveling with her husband all over the world on exotic big game hunts. While cooking was not at the top of her favorite things to do, she loved to receive accolades from her grandchildren when she would make sweet treats for them. She was a member of Northside Baptist Church for many years and worked serving others in the kitchen as well as Vacation Bible School. She is preceded in death by her parents and brother, Randy Farmer. She is survived by husband, Carmack Watkins and their three children, Ronald Watkins and wife Barbara, Janice Watkins King, and Jerry Watkins and wife Kay. Norma was

blessed with eight grandchildren; Scott Watkins and wife Jeri, Brett Watkins and partner Nick, Brandye West and husband Tom, Keri Wright and husband Kyle, Kory King, Jason Walsh, and Ashley and Lane Watkins. She was delighted when great grandchildren started arriving and was blessed with six of them; McKenna and Caleb Watkins and Kathren, Magdalen, Lilliann, and Gwendalen Wright. Visitation will be Friday, May 4th at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home from 5 to 7 p.m. Services will be at Northside Baptist Church on Saturday, May 5th at 1:00 p.m. Pallbearers will be Scott Watkins, Kory King, Kyle Wright, Jason Walsh, Tom West and Lewis Palos. Honorary Pallbearers will be grandson, Brett Watkins and brothers, John Farmer, Jim Farmer, Charlie Farmer. If it is your wish, memorial donations may be directed to Black Hills Cemetery Association or Northside Baptist Church.

Tribute Wall



“ *Norma Watkins*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



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Rebecca Watkins Kragh - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



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Rebecca

Rebecca Watkins Kragh - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

Gary and Robbie Derden and family - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am very sorry for your loss. My condolences.*

Bobbi Milstead-McGuire - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Jerry Mac and the Watkins family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Norma was a very special lady and always had a smile on her face whenever she met you. Please know that you are all in our prayers. John & Sharon

John & Sharon Johnson - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ carmack, jerry mac, and janice- we are sorry to hear of your loss. mrs.watkins was a kind and gentle woman and always put her family first. keep her memories close to your heart and know that she is still with you in spirit. ronnie and mary jane wylie

ronnie wylie - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with The Watkins Family. I had the pleasure of meeting Norma one night while I was at Jerry and Kay's for dinner. What a sweet and special lady she was.

Ashley Sherman - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ Dear Janice,
I am so very sorry for the loss of your Mother. My heart just breaks for you and your family. Please know that you are all in my prayers. The one thing I do know for sure is that Jesus is the One that helps up through times like these and I know that He will be with you every step of the way. One thing I will never forget about your Mom is when she was a "Room Mother" when I was in Sam Houston Elementary. She was so very sweet & kind and she always made each child feel like they were just as important as the other children. It didn't matter how poor they were - she treated them all the same - with lots of love and kindness. May God Bless you and keep you in the days ahead.

Love,
Linda Darby

Linda Darby - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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JH

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Joe Hambrick - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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SL

“ We wanted to send you (Janice, Cory, Keri, Kyle, Katie, Gwen, Maggie and Lilly) our deepest and sincerest condolences on your loss. Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, May looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow.

Sarah Loesch - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ We wanted to share with all of you (Janice, Cory, Keri, Kyle, and the girls) our deepest and most heartfelt sympathies. Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow.

*Blessings,
The Jonathan Loesch Family*

Sarah Loesch - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Janice and the Watkins family, my condolences are with you.

*Sincerely,
Theresa*

Theresa Brown - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

YB

“ *Janice, Jerry, and Ronnie, Im so sorry for your loss. Your family will be in my prayers.*

*Love you all,
Rene*

Yolanda (Rene) Brown-Holt - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

YB

“ *Janice, Jerry, and Ronnie Im so sorry for your loss, my prayers will be with your family*

*Love you all,
Rene*

Yolanda (Rene) Brown-Holt - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ *She was the only person I ever knew who was just as beautiful with her gray as she ever was when it was dark.
I counted myself honored that she never forgot me and always spoke to me with kindness and affection, no matter how long it may have been since she'd seen me last.*

I will be praying for God's comfort for you all in the coming days of sorrow.

Reba Riley

Reba (Joles) Riley - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ *The Rose Beyond the Wall*

*A rose once grew where all could see,
Sheltered beside a garden wall,
And, as the days passed swiftly by,
It spread its branches, straight and tall*

*One day, a beam of light shone through
A crevice that had opened wide-
The rose bent gently toward its warmth
Then passed beyond to the other side.*

*Now, you who deeply feel its loss,
Be comforted - the rose blooms there-
It's beauty even greater now,
Nurtured by God's own loving care.*

...Author Unknown

*I will so miss her beautiful smile and lovely greetings. Love to the
Watkins Family.*

Mary Dillard - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *To The Watkins Family,
I have known your mother and grandmother since my Junior yr at Corsicana High, and most enjoyable in knowing her when Janice and I ran for Ms Corsicana Pagent, she made me so welcomed into their home and would pick me up to go and do things with Janice. You guys have lost a "Jewel",but the Lord wanted his "Jewel" to come on home with him.*

*May The Lord Keep You All Strong &
Supportive During This Time and The
Days Ahead of You Without Her.*

*Love
Dorothy Jones*

Dorothy Jones - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM