



## Ruth Carolyn Blackburn

August 29, 1928 - December 23, 2021

Ruth Carolyn Dublin Blackburn of Corsicana went to be with her Lord and Savior on December 23, 2021. She was born on August 29, 1928, to S.L. and Amanda (Dollie) Dublin.

A lifelong resident of Corsicana, Carolyn attended local schools and graduated from Corsicana High School as a member of the class of 1945. She attended Baylor University, majoring in Radio and obtaining a teaching certificate. While at Baylor, she was a member of the Athenean Club (now Kappa Kappa Gamma), serving as president her senior year.

While teaching second grade at Lee Elementary, she married Edgar Wright Blackburn on December 2, 1950. She left her teaching career in 1953 to be a full-time mom but returned to the classroom in 1964 at Drane Middle School where she taught Speech and Language Arts until her retirement in 1989.

She attended First Baptist Church of Corsicana from birth and was active in Sunday School, a member of the Homebound Visitation Team, and a participant in the church's Women's Council. She was a long-time member of the Quintilian Club, served on the Kinsloe House Board, and belonged to the local chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, a professional organization.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents and her husband Ed, to whom she was married for 55 years. Left to cherish her memory are, daughter Carol Blackburn Smith and husband David of Dallas, son Jim Blackburn and wife Janet of Corsicana. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Kyle Gregory Hayes and fiancé Leslie Newman of Richland and Holly Katherine Simmons

and husband Trent of Richardson. Great grandchildren include Kenzee Denice Hayes, Jonah Thomas Simmons, Annabelle Ruth Simmons, and Samuel Alexander Simmons. Adopted into the family and surviving her is special caregiver and friend, Lois Ballard.

In addition to Lois, the family is forever grateful to Bobbie Walker, Debra Sims, and Patrece Williams whose loving care enabled her to remain in her home in recent years.

Funeral Service will be held at First Baptist Church of Corsicana at 11:00am on Thursday, December 30, 2021. Visitation will be prior to service starting at 10:00am. Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery.

in lieu of flowers, the family request that donations be made to The Humane Society of Navarro County P.O. Box 1731 Corsicana, Texas 75151 or First Baptist Church 510 W Collin Street Corsicana, Texas 75110

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

900 North 19Th Street  
Corsicana, TX 75110

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
510 West Collin  
Corsicana, TX 75110

## Funeral Service

DEC 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
510 West Collin  
Corsicana, TX 75110

## Burial

DEC 30 (CT)

Oakwood Cemetery  
900 North 19Th Street  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Carolyn Blackburn*



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**Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home** - December 29, 2021 at 12:21 PM



“ *Ruth Carolyn Blackburn*

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October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Such a beautiful, sweet lady. She was a teacher of mine. Prayers for all of the family.*

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**Christi Biggs** - December 29, 2021 at 11:26 PM



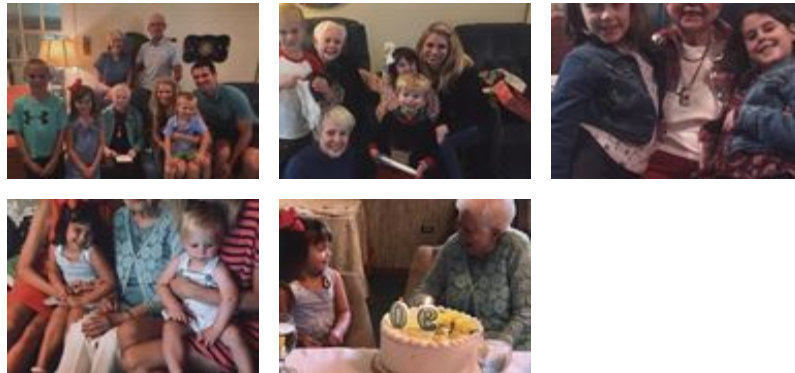
“ *Carolyn was a precious friend. We were ADK sisters. She always had a smile and caring heart. She was a true lady and will be greatly missed.  
Prayers for her loving family.*

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**Neva Johnston** - December 29, 2021 at 11:01 PM



“ 62 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home** - December 29, 2021 at 11:20 AM

JJ

*Jim and Carol sorry David and I can't be with you today to celebrate Carolyn's wonder life! Such a beautiful wonderful friend Carolyn was to me ! Prayers for both of you 🙏🙏🙏❤️😊*

**Jaynie Johnston** - December 30, 2021 at 10:23 AM



“ *Your Light Shines* was purchased for the family of *Ruth Carolyn Blackburn*.



December 28, 2021 at 11:27 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Ruth Carolyn Blackburn*.



December 28, 2021 at 12:09 PM



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December 28, 2021 at 12:02 PM



“ *Accept our condolence for your loss. May God help you through this difficult time and help ease your pain.*

*Doug and Tricia Davis*

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**Tricia Davis** - December 28, 2021 at 11:29 AM



“ *Prayers she was my English teacher at Drane she will be missed great teacher*



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**Christie Butler Pritchett** - December 27, 2021 at 10:25 PM

DF

“ Carolyn Blackburn was a pillar educator for Corsicana I.S.D. She saw the transition of Drane Junior High , the Green and White Panthers to Drane Middle School Carolyn had a tremendous influence on so many students in Corsicana as did Mr. Blackburn in his twenty years coaching youth baseball . But to the Fondrens it was Carolyn's friendship as Drane faculty - no Drane family that Bobbie and I cherish. Dear Blackburn Family , May God Bless and Comfort in your time loss.  
David Fondren

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**David Fondren** - December 27, 2021 at 07:36 PM

CB

“ I was one of Carolyn's students in 2nd grade. She always loved telling people I was one of students and I would tell her she was very young when she did! Loved being with her at church. Prayers for the family and may God hold you close.

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**Chuck and Pam Burns** - December 27, 2021 at 03:37 PM

DW

“ She was a precious lady. Praying for the family and friends during this time.

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**Donna Whittenburg** - December 25, 2021 at 11:35 AM

 Shelly Kendall

“ was s good teacher she taught english at drane school corsicana and had she will be missed prayers to the family

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**Shelly Kendall** - December 25, 2021 at 02:25 AM



“ Carol - Words are so inadequate at such a time as this. I thought a great deal of your mother, who was a good friend to my family. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Marinelle and Randy Szenasy



Marinelle Szenasy - December 24, 2021 at 08:17 PM

PK

“ Loved working with her. She shared a lot of good teaching tips



Pkelly1121@yahoo. - December 24, 2021 at 06:22 PM

SR

“ Sherri Richardson lit a candle in memory of Ruth Carolyn Blackburn



Sherri Richardson - December 24, 2021 at 10:32 AM

SR

“ Carolyn was my English teacher when I 1st moved to Corsicana in 1966. She was one of my favorite teachers right away. As the many years passed, I had a chance to get to know her in a completely different setting & found her to still be a favorite. Such a sweet lady! Rest In Peace in God's loving embrace.

Sherri Richardson - December 24, 2021 at 10:31 AM