



Ruth H. Nelson

March 31, 1925 - January 4, 2021

Ruth Helene Bateman Nelson of Corsicana went to be with her Lord and Savior January 4, 2021. She was born March 31, 1925 in Harrisburg, PA to Clarence and Fannie Bateman.

Ruth married the love of her life, Joe Houston Nelson, Jr, July 18, 1945 and they made their home in Corsicana. Ruth was employed by Navarro Savings & Loan as part-time clerk and went on to become Branch Manager of Sunbelt Savings until she retired in 1990.

She was an active member of Central Methodist Church and later First United Methodist Church of Corsicana serving in many capacities including United Methodist Women, Walk to Emmaus, UMW Fall Bazaar and FUMC's card ministry. She was active in various community organization including Business and Professional Women Club, DAR , American Cancer Society, Meals on Wheels and the Ombudsman program. In 2001 she was recognized as An Outstanding Older Texan honoree. During her retirement years she was known as the "Greeting Card Lady". She made personalized cards for her family and friends. These cards were treasured by all who received them.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband of 38 years, and two brothers.

She is survived by her son Joe H. Nelson, III (Barbara) of McGregor, daughter Donna Adams (Ronnie) of Ennis, son Eric Nelson (Tammy) of Lakehills, her beloved grandchildren Rev Todd Nelson (Susan) of Lexington KY, Rev Mark Nelson (Calli) of Weatherford, Aprille Andrews (Chris) of Waxahachie, Jeffrey Nelson (Shanna) of Ft Worth, Kelly Nelson of Lakehills her great grandchildren Madelyn Thomas (John) of Annapolis MD, Bud Nelson of Denton, Marshall Nelson of Lexington KY, Brady Nelson of Weatherford, Melisa Nelson of Lexington KY, Katelyn Nelson of Weatherford, Henley and Gehrig Andrews of Waxahachie.

Visitation will be at 1pm and Celebration of Life at 2pm Saturday, January 9, 2021 at First United Methodist Church of Corsicana. A graveside service will follow. Pallbearers will be: Chris Andrews, Bud Nelson, Brady Nelson, Jeffery Nelson, Melisa Nelson and Henley Andrews. Honorary pallbearers will be Gehrig Andrews and Marshall Nelson. Her grandsons, Rev. Todd Nelson and Rev. Mark Nelson will officiate.

Memorials can be made to The American Cancer Society.

PLEASE NOTE! ..Mask will be required and seating will be limited for the Celebration of Life Service. You are encouraged to join us on the live stream at

<https://m.facebook.com/First-United-Methodist-Church-Corsicana-144513795612294/>

Cemetery Details

Resthaven Memorial Park

5400 West State Highway 31
Corsicana, TX 75110
(903) 872-2191

Previous Events

Family Visitation

JAN 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
320 North 15TH Street
Corsicana, TX 75110

Celebration of Life

JAN 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Corsicana, TX 75110

Tribute Wall



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



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - January 08, 2021 at 11:21 AM



“ *Ruth H. Nelson*

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ *Lynn and I were sorry to hear the news of Ruth passing away. She was like clockwork every Sunday attending early service at First Methodist--we sat right behind her and visited each week. We can testify her walker did not slow her down one bit. We had not seen her since the church went to internet services when the pandemic broke out. She will be missed by all.*

Frank and Lynn Murchison - January 09, 2021 at 05:30 PM



“ *Ruth and my Mom (Jean Wilkinson) were friends from Central Methodist and forward. I think they may have worked at Navarro Savings together. I remember her as smiling and always glad to see you. My condolences to the family. Jane Luther*

Jane Luther - January 09, 2021 at 09:30 AM



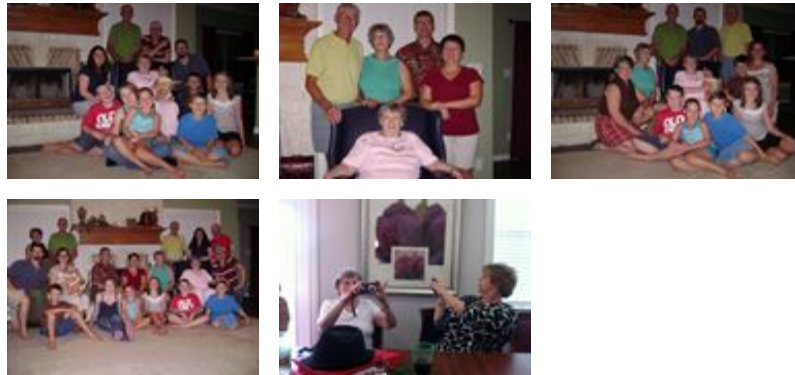
“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth H. Nelson.



January 08, 2021 at 12:24 PM



“ 93 files added to the album Life Tributes



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - January 08, 2021 at 10:54 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ruth H. Nelson.



January 07, 2021 at 05:24 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ruth H. Nelson.*



January 06, 2021 at 01:46 PM



“ *Richard and Sherry Havens purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Ruth H. Nelson.*



Richard and Sherry Havens - January 06, 2021 at 11:54 AM