



Bette Ann Huff King

January 29, 1929 - November 22, 2023

Bette Anne Huff King went to be with her lord and savior, Jesus Christ, on November 22, 2023, at the age of 94. Born January 29, 1929, to V.A. Huff and Pearl Huff, Bette grew up in Wichita Falls, Texas. She attended Midwestern Junior College and the University of Texas. Following college, Bette and her mother Pearl went on a European tour where she met her future sister-in-law, Jill King Ramey. Bette married Jack Martin King on September 13, 1952, they had three children, were active in the Tyler community, and traveled the world for 56 years together.

Bette was a member of the Junior League of Tyler, the Tyler Junior Garden Club, the Gertrude Windsor Garden Club, and a board member of the Tyler Museum of Art. Her love of gardening was evident in her beautifully maintained garden that is listed in the Garden Club of America Collection in the Archives of American Gardens at the Smithsonian Institution as the “Royal Tulip Garden”. She graciously opened her backyard to anyone requesting photographs and an enlarged picture of her garden was displayed for many years in the dining room of McAlister’s Deli Restaurant.

While Bette loved gardening and being active in her community, her true passion was sharing her faith in Jesus Christ. For over thirty years she taught Sunday School at Marvin Methodist Church. She believed strongly in the power of prayer and she met weekly with the Marvin Prayer Warriors to pray

for the needs of their congregation. She made certain that our family Christmas celebrations focussed on the importance of God's son Jesus, voluntarily taking on flesh, laying down his life to pay the price for our sin, so that we may rise from the dead as He did and enjoy eternity with Him. Her parting words to her family were "Always remember the most important thing in life is knowing the Lord."

Bette is preceded in death by her parents, V.A. and Pearl Huff, her husband, Jack Martin King, her brother and sister-in-law, Bert and Jeannie Huff and her brother-in-law, Thomas B. Ramey Jr. She is survived by her son, Jack Martin King, Jr. and his wife Debra Brillhart King; her daughter, Caroline King Wylie; and her daughter, Elizabeth King Chilton and her husband Thomas Scott Chilton; and her sister-in-law, Jill King Ramey.

Her surviving grandchildren are Jack Martin King, III and his wife Frances Duncan King; Jacquelyn King; Katherine Noel Wells and her husband Ryan Wells; Mary Caroline Wylie Reynolds and her husband Tyler Reynolds; Virginia Lane Wylie Clark and her husband Tyler Clark; Thomas Scott Chilton, Jr. and his wife Anne Buckthall Chilton; and Claire Elizabeth Chilton.

Her surviving great-grandchildren are Grace Caroline King; Harriet Holotik King; Frances Perry King; Poppy Mae Wells; Tyler Bennett Reynolds Jr.; Ginny Ann Reynolds; Caroline Elizabeth Clark; and Thomas Scott Chilton, III.

The family will receive visitors at Stewart Family Funeral Home on Friday, December 1st between 5pm and 7pm.

A memorial service will be held at Marvin Methodist Church on Saturday, December 2nd at noon.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to Marvin Methodist

Church, 300 W. Erwin St., Tyler, TX 75702 (<https://Marvin.church>), PATH, 402 W. Front St., Tyler, TX 75702 (www.pathhelps.org), or a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Rose Hill Cemetery

2400 S. Donnybrook
Tyler, TX 75702

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Service

DEC 2. 12:00 PM (CT)

Marvin Methodist Church
300 West Erwin
Tyler, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bette Ann Huff King*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - December 01, 2023 at 01:33 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Bette Ann Huff King.*



November 30, 2023 at 10:56 PM

“ We had the honor of knowing The King Family when they visited The Grand Hotel in Point Clear, AL. The first time we met The King's was 1987, when I was a golf professional at The Grand. At that time, The King's had been visiting The Grand for almost 30 years and The King Family would continue to visit for another 35 consecutive years; their visits were always a highlight for the Grand Hotel associates; The King's became Grand Family! I learned numerous life lessons from Mr. & Mrs. King and we stayed in touch throughout the years. They were both humble, faithful, servant and visionary people that had unmatched grace and wisdom! Their shared faith and respect for each other and everyone that they came in contact with was sincere and unforgettable. I often played golf with Mr. King at Lakewood Golf Club and the round was more about life than pars. And my walks with Mrs. King and dinners with her family at The Grand Hotel after Mr. King passed away were always a highlight of my year. Once during a General Manager's reception, Mrs. King grabbed my arm and escorted me out of the reception from the Lagoon Room sensing a struggle I had (she was right). She shared that Mr. King and their shared faith was exceptionally strong and that they loved each other very much. She stated that she hoped that I would meet someone and we too would have their shared faith and love (I did meet that person 10 years later).

We are forever grateful for Mrs. King's life, friendship and example. She was the epitome of how we should live life and how people should be treated. We are grateful for The King and Chilton Family, the apples don't fall far from the tree. May you find tremendous reflection, peace and assurances at this time, knowing that your parents are once again united! Also cherishing having them as parents/family and the incredible blessings that they were to so many people. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all and know also, how grateful we are for all of your friendships. We hope to continue to see you and share many more wonderful memories.

Sincerely,

David, Melinda & Savannah Clark

David Clark - November 30, 2023 at 09:51 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Bette Ann Huff King.*



November 30, 2023 at 09:10 PM



“ *David, Melinda & Savannah Clark planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bette Ann Huff King.*

David, Melinda & Savannah Clark - November 30, 2023 at 09:10 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Bette Ann Huff King.*



November 30, 2023 at 03:45 PM



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