



## Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett

May 22, 1933 - December 25, 2020

Services for Bonnie (Dunagan) Burkett, 87, of Tyler will be held on Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Dr. Jay Lockhart and Dwight Sowle officiating. Burial will follow at Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Bonnie Burkett passed away Friday, December 25, 2020 in Tyler. She was born May 22, 1933 in Gladewater to Dell O. Dunagan and Christine Hurt Dunagan.

Bonnie was an active member of Shiloh Road Church of Christ in Tyler for 20 years and participated in its Prime Timers group. In her quiet moments she would work on crossword puzzles and word searches. Discovering new recipes while watching cooking shows and challenging her mind to game shows was a favorite pastime. She was quite the competitor playing 42 at the domino table, you definitely wanted her on your team. She was a loyal friend who would chat over coffee and take you window shopping. She had a spirit of adventure and enjoyed her travels to places like Hawaii, Alaska, New York and Great Britain. She enjoyed her college football and was a devoted fan of the Texas Longhorns. You could always find her watching the games with an ice cold Dr. Pepper in her hand...Hook 'em Horns! She graduated with a nursing degree from University of Texas in Galveston. She was a registered

nurse in Galveston, San Francisco, and Dallas. She was also a teacher's aide for special education elementary students in Illinois. She will be remembered as a kind, gentle, and soft spoken wife, mother, grandmother and friend who was filled with a Christ-like spirit.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents, Dell and Christine Dunagan, and brothers, Colonel Ed Dunagan and Randall Dunagan. She is survived by her loving family including her husband of 57 years, James Lester Burkett; son, Morgan Burkett and his wife Meisha Hunter Burkett of New York City; daughter, Holly Lynn Hopkins and her husband Aaron J Hopkins of Muncie, Indiana; grandchildren, Mikayla Dell Hopkins Bailey and her husband Nathan Phillip Bailey, Justin Clay Hopkins and Aaron Colby Hopkins all of Muncie, Indiana.

Pallbearers will be Bob Burkett, Morgan Burkett, Aaron Hopkins, Justin Hopkins, Colby Hopkins and Nathan Bailey.

Visitation is scheduled from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

If desired, donations may be given to House of Compassion at [compassioncare.org](http://compassioncare.org) or Arms of Hope at [armsofhope.org](http://armsofhope.org).

# Cemetery Details

## Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery

7825 South Broadway Avenue  
Tyler, TX 75703

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 30. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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

## Service

DEC 30. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett



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**Stewart Family Funeral Home** - December 30, 2020 at 11:19 AM

DC

*I was disappointed to not be there virtually to honor Bonnie and be with her family. Each time I clicked on the link, it would play about 2-6 seconds and stop.*

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**Douglas Chapman** - December 30, 2020 at 11:50 AM



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett



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**Stewart Family Funeral Home** - December 26, 2020 at 02:54 PM

DS

“ *Sending love, hugs and prayers from Indiana for the family.*

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**Dawnita Smith** - December 30, 2020 at 11:02 AM



“ *Red Roses and White Carnations (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.*



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December 29, 2020 at 11:12 PM



“ *We knew Bonnie and Lester and Morgan and Holly when we all lived in the Chicago suburbs and worshipped together at Naperville Church of Christ. Bonnie was a constant example of a true child of God showing Grace, hospitality, kindness, warmth and love to everyone. Our sympathy to Lester, Morgan and family and Holly and family. May God grant you comfort and peace.*

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**Marihelen Johnson** - December 29, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.*



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December 29, 2020 at 03:47 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.*



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December 29, 2020 at 08:50 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.*



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December 28, 2020 at 11:32 PM



“ *Harlan and Judy Doering purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.*



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**Harlan and Judy Doering** - December 28, 2020 at 10:58 PM



“ *We will always remember Bonnie as a lady with a smile. We knew when she spoke in our Bible class that she had a heart for the Lord. Prayers for Les and the family at this time but we know her sweet memories will bring comfort.*  
*Leonard and Myra Kent*

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**Leonard Kent** - December 28, 2020 at 12:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.*



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December 28, 2020 at 10:16 AM

JD

“ Harlan and Judy Doering have only been able to share the past two years with Les and Bonnie Burkett. They moved into the apartment just one door down the hall about a month after we moved into Meadow Lake. We have shared many meals together over the past two years. Bonnie and I made friends quickly and shared many good times together. I will remember this special lady for the rest of my life for her kind words and deeds.

Judy Doering - December 27, 2020 at 10:43 PM

MS

“ Mary and Odell Strickland purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.



Mary and Odell Strickland - December 27, 2020 at 03:43 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.



December 27, 2020 at 10:58 AM

VD

“ When Eddie and I were married in WA, his folks could not attend our wedding because of business conflicts, so Bonnie drove from San Francisco to represent his family. She has always had a special place in my heart because of that. I will miss her greatly, not only as a sister-in-law, but as a friend. Virginia Dunagan

Virginia Dunagan - December 26, 2020 at 08:31 PM

BB

“ *Bob and Brenda purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Bonnie Delphene (Dunagan) Burkett.*

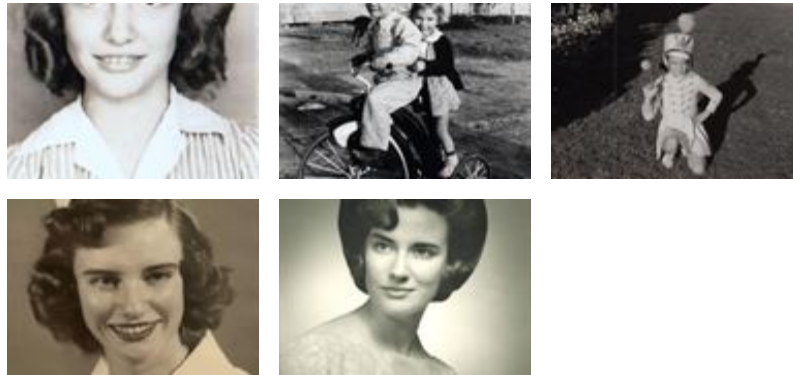


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**Bob and Brenda** - December 26, 2020 at 05:42 PM



“ *56 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Stewart Family Funeral Home** - December 26, 2020 at 02:54 PM

RD

*I will always remember her with a smile and full of encouragement and kindness.*

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**Ron Dunagan** - December 28, 2020 at 02:43 PM

GI

*Dad and I send Les and family sincere condolences. Betty was a kind, gentle soul who loved God, and she will be missed by many. May sweet memories bring comfort to you. Prayers for dear Les and family. God bless you and yours. Bill Buhler and Ginger Robb*

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**Ginger** - December 28, 2020 at 07:36 PM