



Doris Rogers

May 7, 1920 - August 8, 2011

Doris Nance Rogers of The Hamptons at Greenridge in Tyler died Monday, August 8, 2011. Services are scheduled for Thursday, August 11 at 1:00 pm at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Pastors Pike Wisner and Dr. B. C. McCoy officiating. The family will receive visitors immediately following the service. A private burial service will follow at Rusk County Memorial Gardens in Henderson. Doris Rogers, 91, was born May 7, 1920, in Dallas to Jack F. and Bess Lair Nance. She lived in the Tyler area for the past 27 years. She was preceded in death by her husband of 30 years, Joe H. Rogers. She is survived by her son Steve Jepsen and wife Jan of Arp, their children and grandchildren; daughter Joellyn Eubank and husband Ray of Dallas, their children and grandchildren; three step-children, JoLynn Roppolo and husband Tom, John Rogers and James Rogers, all of Dallas. Growing up as an only child, Doris enjoyed spending time with and observing her father's work as a professional golfer and general contractor who built the Hall of State Building at Dallas Fair Park for the 1936 Texas Centennial Celebration and the Casa Linda Theater, the first commercial building in that area. She lived most of her life in Texas except for several years in Atlanta, Georgia where she attended Oglethorpe University. When her children were young, she worked as a Newcomer Hostess in Dallas, welcoming new families to the area. For fifteen years, she worked for Airkem, the commercial division of Airwick Industries, in Dallas. The last three years of her career, she served as its branch manager, the only female branch manager in the nation. In 1981, after Mr. Roger's early

retirement, they moved to Emerald Bay on nearby Lake Palestine. During that time, they enjoyed an active lifestyle and traveled extensively for many years. Her interests and activities included membership in the Tyler Garden Club, where she served as its president in 1994-95, the Tyler Woman's Forum, the Emerald Bay Women's Club, the Magnifier's Sunday School Class at First Baptist Church and the ABC Quilters Group, a group which sends quilts to hospitals that treat babies born to drug-addicted and HIV positive mothers. More recently, she was actively involved at the Hamptons at Greenridge where she served as chairman of its Resident Council. Over the years, she volunteered for a variety of community-wide efforts, including Meals on Wheels, VISTA and at her church. She especially enjoyed the close sisterhood of her Sunday School Class whose members are honorary pallbearers. Doris also enjoyed indoor and patio gardening, needlework projects, reading extensively, listening to music, attending community concerts, supporting the Dallas Mavericks and the Dallas Cowboys, and spending time with her family and friends. All her life, she loved to dance, having taught line dancing at Emerald Bay and later at the Hamptons. Her adoring grandsons will serve as pallbearers: Frank Troy Zellers, Randy Jepsen, Larry Jepsen, Fred Nelson, Charles Mueller and Dan Smith. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Renovation Fund, 301 W. Ferguson Street, Tyler, TX 75702.

Tribute Wall

DH

“ *Jo & Family,
My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time. What a
full life she had and it will live on in your memories. My condolences
to all.
Love,
Dana*

Dana Horsburgh - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ *Lisa, Charles, Chris, and Matt, We are praying for God's comfort for
you during this time; and for God's love to sustain you. We are
sending our love to you and your extended family.*

Mike and Suzanne Noble - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *Doris was one of the most gracious ladies I have ever known. I am
thankful that I had the privilege to be a member of The Tyler Garden
Club with her for many years. She will be missed by so many!*

Lu Carroll - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ It was so hard to say good-bye to Doris today. She and I always felt like sisters. Both being only children, we had to marry into the Rogers Family to get brothers and sisters. We both felt very lucky to have been able to live close together and share so many wonderful memories.

I will miss her deeply and only hope that I will see her again one day.

Love,
Shirley

Shirley Rogers - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM