



Edna Faye Ragsdale-Gibbons

February 28, 1922 - January 21, 2015

Services for Fae Gibbons, 92, of Tyler, will be held Saturday, January 24, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home chapel with Deacon Tim Turlington officiating.

Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23, 2015, at the funeral home.

Edna Fae Gibbons was welcomed into the arms of her Lord on January 21, 2015. She was born, Feb. 28, 1922, to the late Ben and Molly Ragsdale of Pine Springs, TX.

She met the love of her life, the late Jim Gibbons, of Winchester, New York, while Jim was in Tyler on a weekend pass from Camp Fannin Hospital. He was recovering from malaria contracted in the Philippines during World War II. They married and moved to Glenn Cove, New York, and lived there for about ten years. They later decided to move back to Tyler. Fae was employed at Western Foundry until it closed, and Jim worked for Smith County Welfare for twenty-five years.

Fae Gibbons was preceded in death by her parents the late Ben and Molly Ragsdale, her husband Jim Gibbons, a great granddaughter Hannah Haynes, three brothers Bernie, Benny, and Frank Ragsdale and her only sister, Lucille Warren of Tyler.

Mrs. Gibbons is survived by their two children, daughter Lillian Haynes and husband Bobby of Henderson, TX., Dr. Jim Gibbons and wife Teresa of Grand Prairie, TX. Three grand children whom she adored: Leigh Haynes Lee and husband John David of Flint, TX. Lance Haynes and wife Mary of Henderson,

TX., Nick Gibbons and wife Nancy of Decatur, GA. Brother Don Ragsdale and wife Betty of Tyler.

She was a devoted great -grandmother to Chase and Anna Lee of Tyler. Andi, Lilly, and Tessa Haynes of Henderson, Ginny and Gabe Gibbons of Decatur, GA., her great- great granddaughter Ella Grace Lee, Tyler, TX.

A remarkably talented person, she joyfully shared her love for sewing, cooking, refinishing furniture, hanging wall paper, gardening or anything else that family or friends needed help with.

Her gentle way and loving heart will be missed by a family who loved and revered her. She was the epitome of what a Christian mother, grandmother and great- grandmother should be.

Emeritus of Henderson has been her residence for the past several years. The family appreciates the love and support she received from some very devoted and kind employees.

Words cannot adequately convey what Hospice of East Texas employee's Gail McGaw and Myrna Davila have meant. Our family will always be grateful. Pallbearers will be: Randy Ragsdale, Jimmy Ragsdale, Michael Ragsdale, John Lee, Chase Lee and Lance Haynes.

In lieu of flowers please make contributions to: The Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Boulevard, Tyler, TX 75701; TTT Children's Building, First Baptist Church, 207 West Main Street, Henderson, TX 75652, or American Diabetes Association, 1701 North Beauregard Street, Alexandria, VA 22311.

Cemetery Details

Rose Hill Cemetery

2400 S. Donnybrook
Tyler, TX 75702

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 23. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

JAN 24. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LH

“ *Lynn Hutchens lit a candle in memory of Edna Faye Ragsdale-Gibbons*



Lynn Hutchens - January 28, 2015 at 07:43 PM

AL

“ *I met Fae in North Carolina when I was about 12 years old. My Aunt Polly lived next door and I was spending the summer with her and taking care of my cousin, Susan. I know that I pestered her quite a bit because Aunt Polly worked and I was lonesome. Fae was so kind and was so good to me. She became Aunt Polly's best friend and was always in my life. I felt as if she was my aunt also. Fast forward many years and she along with Aunt Polly to visit me while I was working in Germany. In fact, they came for my 50th birthday. I was in Texas for her 80th birthday. I saw her in May 2014 and she looked great. To me she looked the same as she always did - smiling and full of joy. She will definitely be one of the people that I will be looking forward to seeing when I get to Heaven. I loved her so much!*


Ann Lewis - January 23, 2015 at 08:24 PM

TH

“ *What a fun loving Lady who brought joy to all she came in contact with. She was an expert at making dust ruffles for her friends as gifts which we treasure. She has left us with wonderful memories of two trips to Germany, trips to Atlanta Georgia, and Williamsburg Virginia. Faye was always ready to have fun and was a complete joy to be with.*

It was an honor and privilege to be considered a friend of hers. So many memories to treasure, so many life lessons learned from her, and wonderful memories of laughing, laughing, laughing. I am a better person because of Fae Gibbons and my life is richer because of her! God Bless! Tedde Hamilton, Atlanta Georgia

Tedde Hamilton - January 23, 2015 at 07:39 PM

 Ann
Ussery

“ *May God give you peace and comfort during this difficult time. Mrs. Fae was a joy to visit and she loved her family very much.*



Ann Ussery - January 23, 2015 at 06:17 PM

CC

“ *Cathy Cook lit a candle in memory of Edna Faye Ragsdale-Gibbons*



Cathy Cook - January 23, 2015 at 12:43 PM

PS

“ *Priscilla Sanchez lit a candle in memory of Edna Faye Ragsdale-Gibbons*



Priscilla Sanchez - January 23, 2015 at 08:45 AM

BB

“ *In the short time that I have known her, she was always a delight to visit. It has indeed been my joy and blessing to have known her.*
*Barbara Brooks
Henderson*

Barbara Brooks - January 22, 2015 at 06:33 PM

BB

“ *Barbara Brooks lit a candle in memory of Edna Faye Ragsdale-Gibbons*



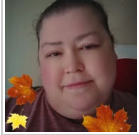
Barbara Brooks - January 22, 2015 at 06:31 PM

PM

“ *Pat And Vicky Murphy lit a candle in memory of Edna Faye Ragsdale-Gibbons*



Pat and Vicky Murphy - January 22, 2015 at 03:46 PM



“ Angie Furguson lit a candle in memory of Edna Faye Ragsdale-Gibbons



Angie Furguson - January 22, 2015 at 07:10 AM



“ Susan Hendershott Curnutt lit a candle in memory of Edna Faye Ragsdale-Gibbons



Susan Hendershott Curnutt - January 22, 2015 at 06:55 AM



To the Haynes family, y'all are in my prayers and I am so sorry for y'all loss. I was honored to have Mrs. Gibbons be part of my life and the family also. She was a bright light of sunshine always lit the room up with her smile. She will be missed. God Bless

Susan Hendershott Curnutt - January 22, 2015 at 06:59 AM

LS

“ Lillian, Bob, Leigh-Lee, Lance and family,
Oh how I loved your Mom and MeMe! Her name could be a synonym for "mother", "mother-in-law", "grandmother" and "great-grandmother". From the first time I met her some forty-six years ago, I have considered myself a part of her family! Thank you for sharing her with me and we will keep her memory in our hearts forever.

Lynn (Leem)

LS - January 21, 2015 at 05:57 PM