



George Ann O'Bannon

February 24, 1949 - July 9, 2025

Services for George Ann O'Bannon, 76, of Tyler, will be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church in Downtown Tyler, with Rev. Pike Wisner officiating. Burial will follow at 1:30 p.m. in Resthaven Memorial Park in Corsicana, under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mrs. O'Bannon passed away on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, in Tyler. She was born February 24, 1949, in Corsicana to George and Kay Reames Watkins.

George Ann was a proud graduate of Corsicana High School, Class of 1967. She went on to attend Baylor University, where she earned her degree in just three years. She began her career as an English teacher and drill team sponsor at Corsicana High School. Over the next four decades, she dedicated herself to education — first as a teacher and then receiving her master's as a school counselor, serving students in several school districts, with the majority of her career spent as a beloved counselor at Whitehouse High School.

In addition to her lifelong work in education, George Ann was also a trailblazer in the world of sports officiating. She umpired little league, high school, and college baseball for more than 30 years — many of those alongside her husband. She was proud to be the first female umpire in her area, and her love for the game was matched only by her commitment to fairness and mentorship on the field.

George Ann was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband of 30 years, Jim O'Bannon; her children, Meredith Dosser, Andrew Dosser and Ashley Oravetz; her grandkids, Grayson Dosser, Braeden O'Bannon, and Grace O'Bannon; and many extended family members and friends who will deeply miss her strength, spirit, and devotion to others.

There will be a visitation scheduled from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at First Baptist Church.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 15. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
301 W. Ferguson
Tyler, TX 75702

Service

JUL 15. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

JUL 15. 1:30 PM (CT)

Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery
5400 W. State Highway 31
Corsicana, TX 75110

Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of George Ann O'Bannon



Stewart Family Funeral Home - July 14, 2025 at 05:10 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. She was such a good friend for many years. I will miss her wonderful gift of story telling. She was indeed a trailblazer. So fortunate our children were childhood friends. My deepest sympathy and prayers to Jim, Drew, Meredith and Ashley and all of her family and friends. God bless all of you!
Sandy Goodman

Sandy Goodman - July 15, 2025 at 11:11 AM



“ 42 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - July 14, 2025 at 05:01 PM

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“ Mike and Charla Farrell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George Ann O'Bannon.

Mike and Charla Farrell - July 14, 2025 at 01:35 PM

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“ Mike and Charla Farrell purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George Ann O'Bannon.



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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of George Ann O'Bannon.



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“ Taso Tyler Board and Members planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George Ann O'Bannon.

Taso Tyler Board and Members - July 11, 2025 at 09:11 PM



“ *Taso Tyler Board and Members purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of George Ann O'Bannon.*



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