



Joy Gordon Rowe

November 6, 1926 - February 17, 2014

Memorial services for Joy Gordon Rowe, 87, of Tyler, will be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, at 11:00 AM at Stewart Family Funeral Home with Rev. David Luckenbach officiating. Visitation will be following the service at the funeral home.

Mrs. Rowe passed away Monday, February 17, 2014 at The Hospice of East Texas.

She was born November 6, 1926 in Shreveport, Louisiana to John Senter and Edna Winston Rust.

Joy was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Tyler for over 50 years. She attended Bible study at Christ Episcopal Church for several years.

Mrs. Rowe graduated from Byrd High School in Shreveport, from Baylor University in 1947 with a BS in Biology and from the University of Texas at Tyler in 1978 with a MS in Psychology.

Joy worked as a licensed Counselor and Therapist for Psychiatrists, Drs. Baskin, McNeel and Wick in Tyler. She taught psychology courses at the University of Texas at Tyler. She was a former member of the Junior League of Tyler, the Symphony League, Festival Garden Club, Willow Brook Country Club, The Deck Club, and the Smith County Medical Society Alliance. Among the many things she enjoyed, her favorites were reading, music, traveling and playing Mah Jongg. Joy was aptly named, she was fun loving with a positive outlook, kind and compassionate with a great sense of humor that attracted a special set of friends. She was a wonderful role model for her children and will

be missed dearly by her family and friends.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Rowe was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. William E. Rowe; grandson, Adam Gordon and sister, Jackie McAuley. She is survived by her loving family including children, Gus Gordon, Emily Gabriel, Betty Anderson and husband Rowe, all of Tyler and their father, Tom Gordon, also of Tyler; grandchildren, Wade Gabriel and wife Beth of Austin, Carter Ann Gabriel, Winn and Haley Anderson, all of Tyler; great-grandchildren, Morgan Lewellen, Major Stephens, Ryder and Sam Gabriel; step-children, William E. Rowe IV and wife Linda of Houston, Janie Clapp and husband Matt of Red Springs, Mary Rowe Chilton and husband Chris of Ft. Worth; grandchildren, Catherine Crow, Travis Clapp and Thomas and Andrew Chilton; great-grandchildren, Iyler Ivy, Camp and Jane Crow; nephews, Mike and Scott McAuley; niece, Melissa McAuley Darlington and many beloved cousins.

If desired, memorials may be made to The Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75703, the Rockin' C Ranch, 5300 CR 325, Lindale, TX 75771, Christ Episcopal Church, 118 S. Bois D Arc, Tyler, Texas 75702 or the First Presbyterian Church, 230 W. Rusk, Tyler, Texas 75701.

Previous Events

Mem. Service

FEB 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Visitation

FEB 19. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ HOPI PRAYER

*Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there; I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glints on snow,
I am the sun on ripened grain,
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there; I did not die.*

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“ *I hadn't seen Joy in many years but got to visit with her at Willowbrook at Bess & Jim Arnold's wedding anniversary a couple of years ago. She was still so lovely and vivacious. My mother, Pauline Sides, styled her hair for many years and loved her so. My deepest condolences to the family.*

Christi Sides Roberts

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