



Mary Williams Watson

February 19, 1933 - November 4, 2021

We celebrate the life of Mary Evelyn Walker Williams Watson who went to be with her Creator on Thursday November 4, 2021 in Tyler, Texas.

Mary was born in 1933 in Lydia, Texas to Calvin Harrison Walker and Ima Lorene Lafferty. She was valedictorian at New Boston High School where she enjoyed playing on the basketball and volleyball teams. She met M.J. Williams at a roller-skating rink and they began married life in New Orleans, LA where they raised a family of seven children.

Mary worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and retired from the Y.M.C.A of Greater New Orleans. She was very active in First Baptist Church, serving as 3rd grade Sunday School teacher for 37 years. At retirement, she joined the Silver Slammers volleyball and basketball teams and won gold medals in the Senior Olympics in both sports. She was inducted into the Louisiana Senior Olympics Hall of Fame for winning countless medals. She also loved researching her family tree.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Doyle Wayne Walker and Henry Lee Walker, and her first husband M. J. Williams.

She is survived by her loving husband of twelve years, Calvin Watson and her sister Glenna Darlene McCright of Queen City, TX; her seven children, Mary Jo

Walkup (Greg) of Fremont, CA; John Williams of Porter, TX; Kathryn Groth (Jon) of Tyler, TX; Charles (Greta) Williams of New Orleans, LA; Martha (Brent) Greene of Pfafftown, NC; Sarah Carmon of New Orleans, LA and Jimmy Williams of New Orleans, LA.

She is grandma to Eric (Kristin) Darwin (Candace), Hannah (Ryan), Ian (Victoria), Joshua (Sarah), Elizabeth (Davide), Caleb, Jacob, Rebekah, Noah, Charlie, Lydia Drake, Lydia Evelyn, Myles, Bryanna, Rachel, Ray, Hailey and Benjamin. Four great-grandchildren are bringing great joy to the family, Ellis, Norah, Jack and Abigail.

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“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mary Williams Watson



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“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Williams Watson



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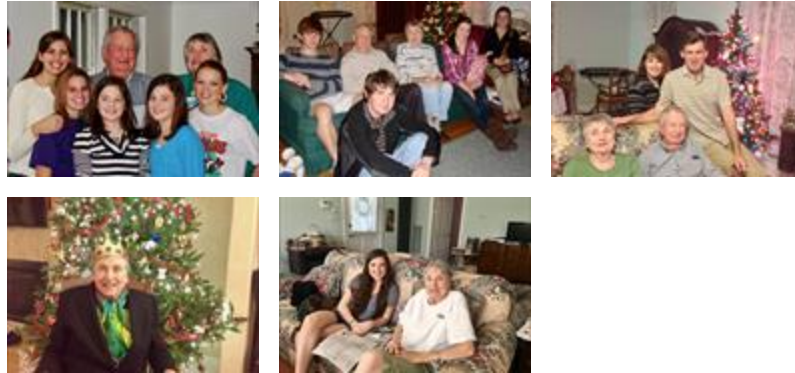
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Michelle Watson - November 05, 2021 at 07:43 PM

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It was so wonderful getting to know sweet Mary over the years, especially having a little connection to some of her precious family before she married Pops and first remembrances of her, almost always, with a basketball in hand on Wednesday evenings. It was a blessing for our family to be around the love she and Pops shared with each other. She had a radiant smile, that lit up the room, and she loved talking about, among many things, her children and their families, family history, gardening, (showing off and sharing her prized night blooming cereus), lovely roses, and other garden happies. We were truly blessed to know her and I'm so grateful that the girls and I got to see her inspirational service today, if even from afar. She lived such an amazing life. I sang with you and cried with you today. I remember a plaque above their sink, part of which I remember most - "and dance like no one is watching." She is surely dancing in Heaven with her Savior this day.

Michelle - November 07, 2021 at 06:34 PM

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My mom would be 90 years old today. I enjoyed getting to watch her tribute video including these beautiful photos and and loving message from Michelle. Ended the celebration with a brownie, as she would have enjoyed!

Mary Jo Walkup - February 19, 2023 at 11:38 PM



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