



## Mary "Mimi" Wofford

July 15, 1937 - March 25, 2024

It is with much love and great sadness that the family of Mary "Mimi" Wofford announces her passing on March 25, 2024, after a long and courageous fight against the ravages of Alzheimer's disease.

Mimi's passing was peaceful and she no doubt felt much comfort surrounded by those who loved her most in this world. It is a blessing for us to know that she will be joyously reunited with many loved ones eagerly awaiting her arrival into heaven, especially Jesus Christ, her Lord and Savior.

Mary was born July 15, 1937, in Cleveland, Tennessee, to Melvin Bertram Garton and Grace Powell Garton, both of Tyler, Texas. She was well raised and much loved. Mary grew to be a gentle and kind person—she was simply an exemplary daughter, wife, mother, and human being. She embodied so many exceptional qualities—she had a strong spirit and faith, and she was unconditionally loving and generous.

She was always perfectly turned out and took great pride in her lovely appearance, and she also had many big passions in this life! She loved to shop for antiques, she was a talented decorator and homemaker, and she loved to play the piano and was quite talented! However, Mary's biggest interest was probably teaching and caring for children. She was the director for the Children's Day Care Centers in Commerce, Texas, Shades Mountain

Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama, and First Baptist Church in Tyler, Texas.

Of course, Mary was an exceptional grandmother! She adored her grandchildren and spent as much time as she could engaging them, playing with them, and just spending time enjoying them. Her loss will be tough for Grace, Harrison, and Hallie. They lovingly called her Mimi and it stuck! She always welcomed them with an open heart, open arms, and a giant smile.

Mary will be sorely missed by her devoted daughter Mary G. Harvey, her loving son Raymond C. Harvey III and his wife Carol Minton Harvey, and three amazing grandchildren... Grace Harvey Engels and her husband Robert, Harrison Harvey, and Hallie Harvey, all of Dallas, and her brother Melvin "Nick" Bertram Garton Junior of Bedford, Texas. She is preceded in passing by many loved ones, including Cary Wofford and Dr. Raymond C. Harvey Junior, her parents, and many friends.

The family would like to gratefully thank all of those who cared for Mary during her illness at The Tradition on the memory care floor—the countless kind doctors, nurses, and skilled caregivers who made navigating this terrible illness of Alzheimer's a little more bearable. We are profoundly thankful and we know that our Mimi would have profusely thanked you all herself if she had been able.

A private family memorial service will be held at Rose Lawn Cemetery in Tyler Texas.

John 16:22

Now is your time of grief but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy.

May those who will miss Mimi be filled with God's love, grace, and peace in this time of sorrow and in the days ahead. We pray that your memories be joyful and your days filled with hope. We thank you all for your love and support in our time of grief. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Alzheimer's Association @ [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) would be greatly appreciated.

# Cemetery Details

**Private Family Graveside Service - Rose Lawn Cemetery**

# Tribute Wall

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“ Chat and Sonya York planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary "Mimi" Wofford.

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**Chat and Sonya York** - March 28, 2024 at 01:11 PM

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“ Chat and Sonya York purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mary "Mimi" Wofford.



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