



MaryLou "Cookie" Starr

November 15, 1931 - May 12, 2023

Memorial services for MaryLou Starr, aka "Cookie", 91, of Tyler will be held on Monday, May 22, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Allen Townsend officiating.

Mrs. Starr passed away Friday, May 12, 2023 in Tyler. She was born November 15, 1931 in Pleasantville, NJ to Lewis and Mary McLaughlin Williamson.

Cookie attended Rose Heights Church, Tyler, TX. She attended High School in Pleasantville NJ and went on to graduate from Beauty College. Throughout her life she was a hair stylist, telephone operator, bartender and casino attendant. She volunteered at the hospital adolescent clinic in El Paso, TX. Well into her 80's, Cookie volunteered at TK Gorman Catholic School in the library and as a chaperone on field trips. Her greatest calling was as a military wife and mother, a job she performed to perfection. The military took her far and wide including New Jersey, Maryland, Germany, Oklahoma, Massachusetts, Virginia, Hawaii, California, Florida and Texas. Cookie accepted the Lord at 14 years of age and Jesus shined through her. She had an abundant prayer life and a smile that could melt the coldest of hearts. Even in her last days, every doctor, nurse, and tech would say she was the sweetest and their favorite. Her servant heart was undeniable. Cookie was the mightiest of the tiniest.

MaryLou was preceded in death by parents, Lewis and Mary Williamson, husband, Merle D. Starr (Col. Ret. US Army), and sisters, Ruth Browne and Lorraine Crane. She is survived by her loving family including her sister, Jackie Bishop (FL); daughter, Pamela Konon; son, Keith Starr, (wife) Karen; and daughter, Kimberly Williams, (husband) Eric; grandchildren: Kevin Hicks, Emilee Copeland, (husband) Pete, Kori Allen, (husband) Mike, Kayla Carter, (husband) Daniel, Rachel Crocker (husband) Jacob, Reagan Starr (wife) Hannah, Caitlin Starr, and Sarah Williams; great-grandchildren: Justice and Alexiah Hicks, Gideon, Shepherd and Jonah Crocker, and Liam Starr.

If desired and in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701 (www.hospiceofeasttexas.org) or Rose Heights Church, 2120 Old Omen Rd., Tyler, TX 75701 (www.roseheights.org).

A time of fellowship and food will follow the memorial at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Keith and Karen Starr.

Webcasting will be available. Instructions below:

Click on the blue tab – Videos and Photos

A few minutes before the service starts an icon will appear that says webcasting and click on it.

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **22**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



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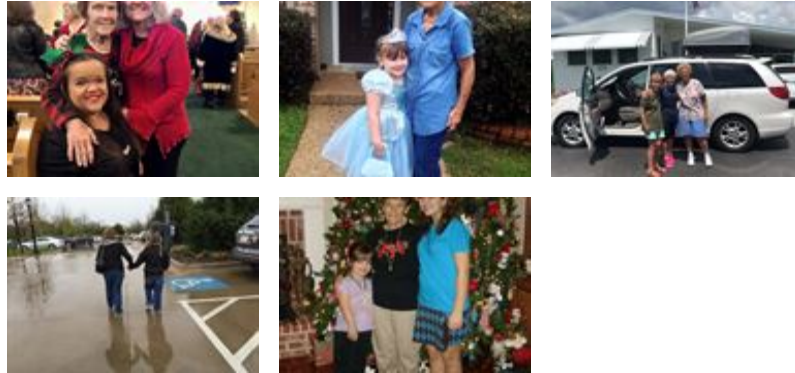
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“ *Mrs Starr family and mine were great friends through there time in the Army. I feel like I kind of grew up with them. She was such a joyful, caring women to all who knew her. May God welcome her for who she was on earth and finishing the race. Kevin Gallagher*

Kevin Gallagher - May 18, 2023 at 06:31 PM