



## Minnie Herrington

June 27, 1903 - April 13, 2007

With her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren gathered around her bedside, Minnie Lou Herrington, 104, crossed over Jordan and into that beautiful land of the unclouded days where she'll never grow old and where she will have a great reunion with all those loved ones who went before her. Mrs. Herrington died after a short illness on Friday, April 13, 2007 at the Hospice HomePlace in Tyler. Services for Minnie Herrington, Tyler, will be held on Monday, April 16, 2007 at 2 pm at Arp Emmanuel Baptist Church with Dr. Ron Klingsick and Dr. Paul Powell officiating under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mrs. Herrington raised seven children on the Herrington farm near Arp. Life was a happy time growing up on the farm with a loving mother and father. She used to say she wished every child in the world could grow up on a farm. Early in life, Mrs. Herrington talked about a heavenly Father who loved and cared for all of us. Her early morning hours were spent reading her Bible and praying. Her words of wisdom for her children were sometimes enforced with the stern warning, "I will tell your father," and that was all it took. Through the years, all of her children grandchildren and great-grandchildren were rocked in that old rocking chair at her home, on her lap. Some, even after they grew up, loved to sit with her in the rocking chair. She saw two of children and four nephews go off to World War II. She had two other sons who served in the cold war. Her prayers were answered because they all came home safe. Her home was a happy home and her kitchen was always open to any who came by on

Sunday afternoons. Friends and neighbors came by often for coffee and cookies and talked and laughed about days gone by. Mrs. Herrington loved to travel and visited many places including Europe, where she visited France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Norway and Sweden. She loved going on cruises and one of her favorite travel experiences was a Christmas cruise on the SS Norway to St. John and St. Thomas Islands with many of her family on board. She also loved the mountains in Idaho and spent many happy hours in Sun Valley, Vail and Golden, Colorado. She went every year to Bay Springs, Mississippi, where she was born, for her family reunions. She loved spending time on the beaches of South Padre Island. She once lived in Roswell, New Mexico and loved going back there to visit old friends. Mrs. Herrington was a charter member of Arp Emmanuel Baptist Church and served as President of the TEL Sunday School class for many years. Mrs. Herrington is preceded in death by her husband, Bill Herrington; son, Charles E. Herrington; grandson, Bruce Herrington; and granddaughter, Pennie Milliff. Mrs. Herrington is survived by her children, Jean Lancaster of Big Springs, Louise and Joseph Ornealas of Tyler, Al and Gerry Ann Herrington of Arp, Ellen and Jim Thurman of Arp, Ann Kimrey of Tyler, Bill and Peggy Herrington of Tyler, and Sue Herrington of Tyler; 13 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; 30 great-great-grandchildren and one great-great great-grandchild. Special caregivers were Betty Baily, Aretha Jackson, Valerie Shackelford, Shonda Melton, Felita Arthur, Freddie Simpson and Tonya Ravon. Pallbearers will be grandsons, Rick Rogers, Steve Lancaster, Greg Kimrey, Mark Renfro, Bill E. Herrington, Randy Rogers, Rusty Rogers, Bobby Herrington and David H. Herrington. Honorary pallbearers will be great-grandsons, Brandon Richmond, Destry Cragan, Jason Trimble, Matthew Trimble, Chuck Herrington, David Herrington, Ricky Paul Herrington, Todd Lancaster, Lucas Marsh, Conner Wangner, David Wangner, Jackson Wangner, Richard Rogers, Ryan Rogers, Austin Rogers, Logan Renfro and Grant Herrington. The family wishes to thank Dr. Stephen Keuer, Dr. David Fletcher, and Dr. Bob Rossman, along with the doctors and nurses at Hospice HomePlace. They would also like to thank Minnie's special

friend, Bobbie Dance. Visitation will be from 6 - 8 pm on Sunday, April, 15, 2007 at Stewart Family Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, please make donation to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701. For more information or to express condolences, visit [www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com](http://www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com).

# Tribute Wall

SM

“ Bill I'm so sorry to hear about your mother's death. It not easy losing a love one no matter how old they are. It appears that she had a very good life. My prayers are with you and your family. Sundra

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**Sundra Alsbrooks Martin** - April 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I am sorry to hear of the passing of your grandmother. She sounds like she was a wonderful person.

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**Dr. Leslie Stalcup-Laws** - April 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ GRANNIE WAS A MOST PRECIOUS LADY & VERY DEAR TO MY HEART. HER LIFE WAS A TESTIMONY TO ME FOR SHE ALWAYS HAD A SMILE ON HER FACE & A JOYOUS ATTITUDE. I LOVE HER VERY MUCH.a

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**JANET HERRINGTON** - April 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ We little knew that afternoon that God was going to call your name,  
*In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.*  
*It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone,*  
*For part of us went with you, the day God called you home.*  
*You left us peaceful memories, your love is still our guide,*  
*And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.*  
*But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again*

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**Heath Shuttlesworth** - April 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ To David H & Family,  
*My most sincere condolences in your loss of an obviously well-cherished, well-beloved and well-lived woman.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*David H's halvesister,*  
*Mrs Pamela Munsinger Niles*

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**Mrs Paul Niles** - April 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *What a wonderful long life your grandmother had, Dave. Prayers are with her and all your family.*

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**Janet and Ken Kern** - April 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May the Lord surround each and everyone of you with his loving arms and comfort you. Celebrate her life as she lived life to the fullest.

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**MeLinda Thoes** - April 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ Please accept my Condolence,  
May the God of all Comfort, Comfort the  
Family in this time of sorrow, When the  
Last enemy death strike grief may be Great and make the heart  
yearn for God  
Promise in his word at (REVELATION 21:4)  
There is HOPE for those who have fallen  
Asleep in death a RESURRECTION HOPE @  
(ACTS 24:15 & ISAIAH 26:19), This Promise  
And Hope are Real and may be attain here  
On EARTH forever (PSALMS 37:29), May These thoughts be of  
Comfort.

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**Ginger J. Robinson** - April 13, 2007 at 12:00 AM