



Virginia Griffith Wood

November 1, 1939 - November 11, 2008

A memorial service celebrating the life of Virginia Ann Griffith Wood, 69, of Bullard will be held on Saturday, November 15, 2008 at 11:00 AM at First Presbyterian Church with Dr. Stuart Baskin, Rev. Pam Leach, and Dr. Gary Fitzgerald officiating. Private burial will be at Bullard Cemetery under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mrs. Wood passed away on November 11, 2008 at her home in Bullard. She was born on November 1, 1939 in Richmond, Missouri to Dr. Harry and Virginia Bates Griffith. She was raised in Richmond, Missouri, graduating from Richmond High School. Even as a small child Genny showed an interest in all kinds of art. Her love of art continued and grew until she enrolled in the University of Missouri where she earned a degree in Art and French. After graduation, Genny shared her talent and love of art with students in Missouri, Tennessee, Colorado and Texas. She taught art at Moore Middle School and Orr Elementary, and helped develop the art program for Grace Community School. Genny was actively involved in the art community in Tyler by teaching art classes to all ages at the Tyler Museum of Art and assisting in the development of the Discovery Science Place. She also painted murals for First Presbyterian Church and Landmark Title Company in Tyler. Genny retired after teaching for 40 years. Along with her husband, Bill, Genny was a board member of the Mission House of Bullard and gave a great deal of time and love to the community. Genny was preceded in death by her parents and a brother-in-law, Jack Glock. She is survived by a loving family including her husband of 48 years,

William R. Wood of Bullard; daughter, Shannon Elizabeth Wood of Whitehouse; son, William R. Wood II and wife Kelly of Bullard; grandchildren, Michael Pritchard, Lindsay Pritchard, Amy Enlow, Ryan Wood, Jess Wood, Chris Wood, Cade Wood, and Marquez Franklin; sisters, Martha Griffith O'Donnell and husband Pat of Ouray, Colorado, and Susan Bates Griffith of Chicago; sister-in-law, Beth Glock of Liberty, Missouri; nieces, Carrie Weston, Stacey Leech, and Kristen Lentz; and nephews, Mitch Glock, John Glock, and Chris Ottinger. Visitation is scheduled for Friday, November 14, 2008 from 6:00-8:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler. Memorials in honor of Virginia Wood may be made to The Mission House, c/o Bullard First United Methodist Church, 204 S. Rather, Bullard, Texas; Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701; The Genny Wood Art Scholarship Fund, c/o Austin Bank, P.O. Box 337, Bullard, Texas 75757; or First Presbyterian Church, 230 Rusk Street Tyler, Texas 75701.

Tribute Wall

WS

“ *Bill,*

We will say a prayer for you in your time of sorrow. Please let us know if you need a friend.

*Wes & Bubba
S&S Home Center
Magnolia, AR*

Wes Stockwell - November 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *She was a ray of sunshine on a cloudy day; a true and loyal friend. The memories of shared experiences will forever be with us and we will miss her always.
Paint on, Poo, paint on.*

Sue and Mike - November 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *Bill we are very sorry to hear of this! If you need anything just let us know.
Derrell & Rhonda*

Derrell Miller - November 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Bill & Shannon, 04/01/09
I only heard of your loss a few days ago. With the loss of Wayne on 10/31/08 our lives were so disrupted we were not aware of Jenny's passing away. Please forgive our negligence and know that our love and prayers are with you. Bill, it was quite a journey that you and I shared with those two special people during their battle and I could see the great love that you and Shannon had for Jenny. My prayer is that God will fill that loss in your lives with his love and grace.
As always,
Sue Miller (Darlene, Cindy, & Amy)

Sue Miller - November 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ She was a GREAT teacher for the Moore Mustangs in 1981-1983. I had the lucky privilege to have her as my art teacher for two years. I will miss her soooo much.
Sincerely,
Paula Shamburger

Paula Shamburger - November 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ My thoughts and prayers are will all of you. Uncle Bill, Bill, Shannon and Kelly and families..I can't begin to explain how Genny and each of you have touched my heart! You are a wonderful family and I know how Aunt Genny will be missed.

Love,

Jill

Jill Vochatzer - November 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ We are sorry for your loss. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Ken and Dolores Blackmon - November 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Bill, We wish to convey to you and to the other members of your family our deepest sympathy. Just know that we have you in our thoughts.

Bill Morton & Family

Bill Morton - November 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM