



## Joyce Wilcox Sparkman

March 4, 1941 - August 9, 2017

Funeral Services for Joyce Wilcox Sparkman, 76, of Rusk, will be 2:00 p.m., Sunday, August 13, 2017 at Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home Chapel, Rusk, Texas with Bro. Kris Sinclair officiating. Burial will follow in Russell Cemetery, Rusk.

Mrs. Sparkman passed away August 9, 2017. She was born March 4, 1941 in Rusk, Texas to the late Hulen and Opal Wilcox. She loved playing the piano and singing Southern Gospel Music throughout the country. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Rusk.

She was predeceased by her husband, Thomas Elton Sparkman, parents, granddaughter, Lindsey Sinclair Oliver, and her sisters Martha and Betty, and sister-in-law, Reda.

She is survived by her daughters and sons-in-laws, Janet and Nathan Cummins, Rusk, Dianne and David Sinclair, Rusk, Kelli and Stanley Dover, Alto, grandchildren, Jessica, T.J., Luke, Kris, Kyle, Clint, Savana, Brent, 13 great-grandchildren, sister, Marie Richardson, Rusk, sister and brother-in-law, Peggy and Jerry Yates, Grapeland, brother and sister-in-law, Lacey and Laura Wilcox, Rusk, several nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family.

Pallbearers will be T.J. Cummins, Luke Sinclair, Kyle Sinclair, Clint Dover,

Horacio Soto, and Brent Oliver. Honorary Pallbearers are Jared, Ty, Jordan, Joe, Jaden, Brandon, Nash, and Cy.

Visitation will be 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Saturday, August 12, 2017 at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Heaven's Stepping Stones Retreat by contacting Bruce Robinson at 936-674-6000.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Wilcox Sparkman*

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Joyce's passing. She and my twin and I started 1st grade together at Bulah Community School House. We just visited with her not long ago. Praying for her family. Shirley Burchfield Newell*

**Shirley Burchfield Newell** - August 12, 2017 at 06:43 PM



“ *Prayers to all friends and family. I am so sorry for your pain and the void you feel. The life Joyce lived lets you know where she is but it is still hard. Joyce was a very gracious lady and so much fun to be around. I enjoyed her singing playing and she was fun to be around. She is just helping get the choir tuned up.*

**Donna Shelley** - August 12, 2017 at 08:00 AM



*Joyce is now getting her wish. She always said when she got to heaven she wanted to swing on the pearly gate. She was a true blessing to me. I loved her dearly. I just pray her family is rejoicing for her. She is right where she wanted to be. Resting in the arms of Jesus.*

**Brenda Davis** - August 12, 2017 at 03:13 PM

BW

*I was blest to have Joyce as a "travel buddy." I loved to hear her pray!  
She really knew to whom she was praying.  
She was blest with many talents  
We drove to many concerts. 4 night concerts etc. We would sit in the  
audience and quietly sing or hum along. No one ever turned around. I  
guess they missed our contributions!  
She was loved and will be greatly missed!*

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**Betty Walden-Francis** - August 12, 2017 at 05:39 PM

AD

“ *Prayers for her family. My baby boy loved her and I'm thankful he  
got the opportunity to know her and play piano with her. He will  
cherish his memories of her forever!*

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**Alison Dotson** - August 11, 2017 at 09:18 PM

CP

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Cris Perez** - August 11, 2017 at 09:15 PM

CP

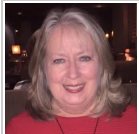
“ I have a special place in my heart for Joyce.. It is hard to accept the fact that she is no longer here with us. But I know where she is, and it is a far more wonderful place! I can just imagine her singing with the angles in Heaven, and how beautiful it must sound. She will be dearly missed.

*Until we meet again.. I Love You, Joyce.*

*-Cris Perez and Family*

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**Cris Perez** - August 11, 2017 at 09:08 PM

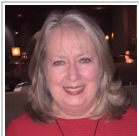


“ Judy Arrington sent a virtual gift in memory of Joyce Wilcox Sparkman



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**Judy Arrington** - August 11, 2017 at 03:27 PM



“ I'll never forget when Joyce and Marie came to our house and played piano and sang gospel hymns and Christmas songs. She brought such joy through her musical talent she loved to share. Joyce will be missed.  
*Judy & Tracy Arrington*



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**Judy Arrington** - August 11, 2017 at 03:26 PM

KU

“Joyce was one of the finest Ladies I have ever known. She will be missed Greatly. Even though I feel a Great Loss, she has not been Lost because I know where She is at. I want to Thank Her For all of her kindness. I love You Joyce!!! 🕊️ Our loss is Heaven's Gain. We will be seeing YOU SOON!!!!!! Kyle Underwood, Dumplin Valley

Kyle Underwood - August 11, 2017 at 02:12 PM



“Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joyce Wilcox Sparkman.



August 11, 2017 at 11:53 AM

DC

“Denise Chancellor lit a candle in memory of Joyce Wilcox Sparkman



Denise Chancellor - August 11, 2017 at 10:51 AM

SU

“She was a very sweet lady, and will be missed.

Sue - August 11, 2017 at 08:12 AM

MT

“*Joyce was a gracious lady with a beautiful heart that loved to sing.*

*Margie Turner family.*

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**Margie Turner** - August 10, 2017 at 11:40 PM

PL

“*Patsy Lassiter lit a candle in memory of Joyce Wilcox Sparkman*



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**Patsy Lassiter** - August 10, 2017 at 10:35 PM

RF

“*Robin Franks lit a candle in memory of Joyce Wilcox Sparkman*



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**Robin Franks** - August 10, 2017 at 09:04 PM

JH

“*Jan Hardy lit a candle in memory of Joyce Wilcox Sparkman*



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**Jan Hardy** - August 10, 2017 at 08:06 PM

MG

“ *Margaret Goff lit a candle in memory of Joyce Wilcox Sparkman*



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**margaret goff** - August 10, 2017 at 04:51 PM

SC

“ *Sending love and prayers.*

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**Sue Ann Crump** - August 10, 2017 at 04:19 PM

BL

“ *Billy And Teresa (Tosh) Langley lit a candle in memory of Joyce Wilcox Sparkman*



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**Billy and Teresa (Tosh) Langley** - August 10, 2017 at 12:58 PM