



Margaret Helm Smith

July 6, 1921 - January 3, 2013

Funeral services for Margaret (Helm) Smith, age 91, formerly of Rusk. She resided with her daughter, Sharon Pope and son-in-law Neal Pope of Grand Prairie, TX. Services will be at 2:00 p.m., Sunday afternoon at Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home in Rusk. Family visitation will be Saturday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Bro Floyd Gaston will officiate the service and William Vaught, longtime family friend will share precious memories of Ms. Smith. Burial will follow at Atoy Cemetery.

Margaret (Helm) Smith died Thursday, January 3, 2013 in Baylor Irving Hospital in Irving, TX. Margaret retired from Rusk State Hospital and started her quilting business, Margaret's Machine Quilting which was her passion. She was featured twice in the Cherokee County Co-Op magazine.

Margaret was born July 6, 1921 in Palestine, TX. Ms. Smith was preceded in death by her parents, James and Mary Eva Rice, sons, Leroy Helm, Waylon Helm, William Arthur Helm and daughter, Mary Jane Helm, one brother and six sisters.

Survivors include three daughters, Joyce Harlan of Atlanta, GA, Sharon Pope and son-in-law, Neal Pope of Grand Prairie, and Nancy Adams of Jacksonville, daughter-in-law, Dolores Helm of Grand Prairie, brother, Coy Rice and sister-in-law Alice Rice of Athens, TX, sister-in-law, Mary Helm of Alto, nine grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews and longtime friends Lois Mims of Jacksonville and Rita Wiggins of Rusk.

Grandsons Dennis Lusk, Jason Helm, Roger Pope, Shawn Pope, Bryan Helm and Jeffrey Helm will serve as pallbearers.

Tribute Wall



“ Margaret Helm Smith

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ Mammaw,

It is still so hard to not be able to pick up the phone and call you! I miss you more every day and think of you often! I love you to the moon and back!

Amanda Adams

Amanda Adams - September 23, 2013 at 03:50 PM



“ Aunt Margaret will be missed. I am truly sorry for the loss. We have all lost a great one. Coy Michael Rice

Coy M Rice - January 05, 2013 at 08:31 AM



“ Girls, she was one of a kind---I had a lot of fun visiting with her--she was always ready for a good laugh and she and I shared many--- She loved Atoy and it was never the same after she left, but now she has returned and she will always be at home---She will always live in mine and Dennis's heart----- Brenda Berryhill

Brenda Berryhill - January 04, 2013 at 08:16 PM