



Dorothy Barton

September 7, 1930 - December 16, 2015

Dorothy Wanell McGowan Barton was born in Durant, Oklahoma on September 7, 1930 to Claud and Sarah Annie Hickman McGowan, and died on December 16, 2015. She was the youngest of six children.

Dorothy married Joseph B. “Buddy” Barton on January 20, 1950. It was love at first sight after going with a friend to hear Buddy Barton and his band play. Joe and Dorothy had four daughters, Victoria Ann, Debra Jo, Pamela May and Julia Lyn. Joe always joked that even their dog was a girl! They raised their family in Dallas, while Joe and his dad ran Barton Electric Company. Dorothy was a stay-at-home mom while their girls were growing up, helping out with bookkeeping and running the business. Dorothy loved clothes and later in life, worked with Cortez Roberts at Roberts’ Fashions in Lancaster and eventually had her own dress shop, Dorothy’s in DeSoto.

Dorothy was a life-long member of the Church of Christ and by example, led her husband and all four daughters to Christ. Dorothy and Joe attended Churches of Christ in Rylie, Wilmer-Hutchins, Pleasant Grove and Seagoville. Later, Dorothy attended Duncanville Church of Christ and Baker Heights Church of Christ in Abilene. She was a true servant always helping someone or taking food or one of her delicious pies to someone in need. She lived her final years at Cedar Green Living Center in DeSoto, where her family nicknamed her the “Social Director” and then at Northern Oaks Facility in Abilene. She loved her Dallas Cowboys and Texas Rangers, and for many

years she must have been their most faithful and spirited fan! She even had a “Dallas Cowboy” decorated room in their home.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband Joe Barton; her parents, and by all of her siblings: Evelyn Bean, Mary Lou May, Claudine Gray, Orville McGowan, Samuel “Buddy” McGowan; and two of her daughters: Debra Jo Wiggins McWithey and Pamela May Horowitz. She is survived by daughters and their spouses, Vicki and George Kokoruda of Waxahachie and by Julie and Rob Blair of Abilene. She is also survived by her beloved seven grandchildren and their spouses: Ashley & Barry Mills, Christi & Travis Mergele, Mindy & Paul Medford, Lyndsi Blair, Jordan & Meredith Blair, Sara & Justin Leathers, and Seth & Genet Wiggins, and by twelve great-grandchildren with two more on the way. She is survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins and numerous friends and loved ones.

Dorothy put the Lord first in her life and encouraged her children and her family to do the same. Her family is comforted in knowing that she is now in heaven with her Lord and her beloved.

Cemetery Details

Grove Hill Cemetery

4118 Samuel Blvd.
Dallas, TX 75228

Tribute Wall

JM

“ *One of the sweetest ladies ever. I am so sorry for your loss. I know you will miss her dearly. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Janice M.

Janice M. - December 19, 2015 at 03:08 PM

EW

“ *One of the prettiest, nicest people whom I met in my life!!! Prayers for the family!!!*



Earlene Winford - December 18, 2015 at 09:58 AM

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“ *My deepest condolences to the family of this wonderful lady. I was so blessed to have had the privilege of ministering to her through reading of scripture and spiritual hymns. I wish I had known her before. Thank you for allowing me to have a small part in her life. I believe Proverbs 31:10-31 describes her perfectly. Blessings to all family. Rev. Paul Matta, Chaplain for Kinder Hearts in Abilene, TX*

Rev. Paul Matta - December 18, 2015 at 09:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy Barton.*



December 17, 2015 at 08:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Dorothy Barton.



December 17, 2015 at 06:54 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Dorothy Barton.



December 17, 2015 at 05:55 PM



“ *Jeff and Diana Horowitz purchased the Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Dorothy Barton.



Jeff and Diana Horowitz - December 17, 2015 at 05:19 PM



“ *Lavender Tribute Casket Spray* was purchased for the family of Dorothy Barton.



December 17, 2015 at 01:22 PM