



Lois Hitt Holmes

September 22, 1931 - October 25, 2020

Lois passed from this life on October 25, 2020 at home. She was the first-born child of Harvey and Edna Wines in Plaska, Texas in Hall County on September 22, 1931. She lived and attended school in Memphis, Texas and went on to earn a Bachelor of Music degree at Howard Payne University in 1953.

She was married to Bill Hitt for 40 years and lived and taught piano in Lancaster where she was a member of First Baptist Church and served as pianist for 58 years. Lois married Art Gilmer in 2001, and after his death, she married Billy Holmes in 2008.

Lois loved teaching piano for over 60 years. She not only taught her students music, but also taught them life lessons. Each student was very special to her. She played for local funeral services, weddings, civic events and enjoyed being asked to play for various religious congregations.

She had many interests in her life such as ceramics, collecting pottery, growing African Violets, feeding wild birds, rock collecting, and entering food contests at the State Fair of Texas. Lois loved life and tried to live every day to the fullest.

Lois is survived by her daughter, Holly Hitt Niner and husband Jay; her

grandchildren, Jayson, Hanna, Hayden and Hunter Niner; her sister, Kay Schreier and husband Jim; her brother, Jim Edd Wines and wife Penny; her daughter-in-law, Deann Hitt; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, Timothy Hitt.

The family would like to acknowledge and thank Marcela Valquez for all of her love and care. She gave Lois her wish of staying home until she was called to her heavenly home.

Services Pending

Tribute Wall



“ 117 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Byrum Funeral Home - September 10, 2021 at 03:11 PM

DW

“ *Donna Wall lit a candle in memory of Lois Hitt Holmes*



Donna Wall - December 04, 2020 at 09:43 PM

BH

“ *Brad and Cassandra Hopkins purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Lois Hitt Holmes.*



Brad and Cassandra Hopkins - November 21, 2020 at 01:14 PM

PT

“ Our family was privileged to live next door to the Hitt family on Laurel Street in Lancaster. Lois was always so sweet and kind to my children, even when they were loud and boisterous and at times, I could be loud too, rounding them all up to come home. All my girls took piano lessons from her. Always appreciated getting to live on Laurel. It was such a stable neighborhood with lots of kids to be friends with mine. Made for good memories. Jaime's daughter is named Scarlett Laurel. Lois will be greatly missed, but she made a very positive imprint on everyone she met. Thanks, Holly, for sharing the photos. My best to you and your family always.

Polly Martin Thomas - November 20, 2020 at 10:27 AM



“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Byrum Funeral Home - November 18, 2020 at 11:10 AM

SM

“ Lois was the sweetest lady I've ever had the pleasure of knowing. God made a beautiful angel when he made her and shared her heart with all she knew. Hugs



Sherry (Mendoza) Merritt - November 11, 2020 at 10:29 PM

WW

“ Wendy Weiss lit a candle in memory of Lois Hitt Holmes



Wendy Weiss - November 11, 2020 at 08:54 AM



“ *Anything for You was purchased for the family of Lois Hitt Holmes.*



November 10, 2020 at 03:43 PM



“ *Anything for You was purchased for the family of Lois Hitt Holmes.*



November 10, 2020 at 03:41 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lois Hitt Holmes.*



November 10, 2020 at 03:40 PM



“ *Lois took me on as a piano student when I was in my 30's. What patience she had and what fun I had! She always accompanied me when I sang. We made many memories together. I am so thankful to God for the privilege of knowing her and having her in my life for a season.*

Cathy Gray McClung - November 09, 2020 at 05:12 PM

MS

“ Lois was a favorite of my Dad's (Dr. Arthur K. Tyson) and became a favorite of Mother's and mine when we joined First Baptist Lancaster in 2004. As a member of the Men's Quartet, she enhanced our singing with her very talented piano playing! When I sang a solo, she could easily transpose the key of the song into a good key for my vocal range. Her husband, Art, was a member of the Sunday school class I taught until his death, and I often visited their home in DeSoto. Her very faithful and long term service to our church and he wonderful teaching to many piano students across the years remain her life legacy! Well done, faithful servant! Morris S. Tyson, Sr. Alexandria, VA

Morris S. Tyson, Sr. - November 08, 2020 at 02:44 PM

MZ

“ Some of my favorite childhood memories were with your beautiful Mom! She was sooooo sweet and encouraging to me ❤️ and allowed me to sing *On the Good Ship Lollipop* as my recital piece because I felt more confident singing than playing 🎵 I will be holding you in my heart and lifting you in prayer as you miss your Mom, Holly. And for all the family and friends, my deepest sympathies.

Mary Zollman - November 04, 2020 at 01:10 AM

JH

“ Mrs. Holmes taught me piano as a child. She was also so sweet and kind.

Jeff Hutchinson - November 02, 2020 at 11:35 AM

EH

“ *Elaine P. Harris lit a candle in memory of Lois Hitt Holmes*



Elaine P. Harris - November 02, 2020 at 09:56 AM

BB

“ *Lola was a beautiful lady. Always smiling, never heard her say a bad thing about anyone. She has left a memory in my heart forever. ❤️ hugs to you Hol.*

Beverly Bolton - November 01, 2020 at 11:00 PM

KS

“ *I don't know how old I was when my big sister, Lois, invited her girlfriends over to the house. They may have been over to do homework, but probably just to laugh and talk about boys. I can remember being in the room with these teen age girls. One of them remarked that she didn't let her little sister in the room with her friends . I can remember Lois saying something to the effect that she didn't mind her little sister being around. I never felt that Lois didn't want me around. She was the best big sister anyone could want.*

Kay Wines Schreier

Kay Wines Schreier - November 01, 2020 at 10:34 PM

MS

“ *Mary Saunders lit a candle in memory of Lois Hitt Holmes*



Mary Saunders - November 01, 2020 at 03:45 PM

PP

“ *My deepest sympathy to all of Lois' family. I have very fond memories on Mrs. Hitt's beautiful piano music in the First Baptist Church. She was an amazing talent and beautiful soul ❤️ We will all miss her beautiful smile that came from her deep inside spirit it lit up the room. Holly you and yours are in my prayers. I know your Mom was also your best friend & I know this loss as well. She is playing beautiful music in heaven and lives on forever in your heart and through you ❤️ Much love to you and your family at this sad time.*



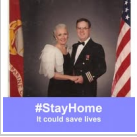
Patricia Perigo - November 01, 2020 at 01:44 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Lois Hitt Holmes.*



October 30, 2020 at 10:44 PM



“ *Holly I send my love and friendship to you in this awful time . I know it's tough on all the family. Lois was the epitome of kindness and love. She will be missed by so many.*

Pat Royder - October 30, 2020 at 11:16 AM

SE

“ *Rest in Peace, Sweet Lois! Thanks for all the laughs.*



Selinda - October 30, 2020 at 09:16 AM

DM

“ *What a sweet, sweet lady she was. I can still hear her laugh. It was so contagious!!*

Holly you and your family are in our prayers.

Denise Murphy



Denise Murphy - October 29, 2020 at 09:06 PM

SF

“ *Sue Smith Fabrizzio lit a candle in memory of Lois Hitt Holmes*



Sue Smith Fabrizzio - October 29, 2020 at 03:36 PM