



Myra Rawlinson

September 3, 1923 - March 4, 2016

RAWLINSON, Myra Louise Hassell was born September 3, 1923 in Rusk, Texas to John Wesley and Leona (Huggins) Hassell and passed from this life on March 4, 2016.

In 1941 Myra graduated from Draughn's Business College and went to Dallas in search of work. Her first job paid \$5 per week. On March 8, 1942 she married the love of her life, her husband of nearly 74 years, Joe F. Rawlinson, at Adams Chapel Methodist Church in Bulah, TX. In 1947 Myra and Joe moved to Lancaster, TX where they still live today.

During World War II she served her country in the Army Signal Corps, Civilian Unit, and was the Commander's Secretary for the 8th Service Command in Dallas, TX. Myra had many interesting and varied employment positions but found her joy when she went to work as Executive Secretary to Mr. "Hap" Goodman of Goodman Paper Products, retiring after 23 years.

Myra was an active member of Adams Chapel Methodist Church in the Bulah Community of East Texas and the First United Methodist Church of Lancaster, TX.

Myra and Joe continued to raise cattle on the land she grew up on in Bulah, TX. The farm, with its legacy of hard work and the love of the land, is one of her greatest gifts to her family. She and Joe raised their children and grandchildren in a family filled with love and guided by a strong faith in the Lord.

Myra is survived by her husband, Joe F. Rawlinson; daughter, Diana Gayle

May & partner Laura Doscher; son, Joe “Chip” Rawlinson, Jr. & wife Jennifer; grandchildren, Joshua May & fiancé Aimee Rea, Mika Earthspirit & husband Matthew, Clay Rawlinson, and Drew Rawlinson; brother, John Herbert Hassell & wife Retha; sisters, Dorothy Lenora Hassell and Bettie Sue Miller & husband Royce; and many beloved nieces and nephews. Myra was preceded in death by her parents, daughter Elaina Jo, and her sister Leona Frances Jorgensen & husband Dewayne.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
201 South Dallas Avenue
Lancaster, TX 75146

Funeral Service

MAR 6. 3:00 PM (CT)

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201 South Dallas Avenue
Lancaster, TX 75146

Visitation

MAR 7. 1:30 PM (CT)

Russell Cemetery
Hwy. 23
Rusk, TX

Tribute Wall

TH

“ My condolences to Joe, Chip, and Diana Gail. She was so nice and always friendly. Even when a bunch of kids were tearing up the yard playing football. May God comfort you at this time. You'll be in my prayers.

Tim Hitt - March 08, 2016 at 10:30 PM

HN

“ I have such fond memories of many friendly smiles and conversations with this sweet lady growing up with her down the street from our house. She was ALWAYS happy and smiling. My thoughts and prayers are with Chip, Diana Gayle, and Mr. Joe. Love, Holly Hitt Niner

Holly Niner - March 07, 2016 at 08:25 PM

BT

“ Brian and Rhonda Gray and Nancy Thomas purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Myra Rawlinson.



Brian and Rhonda Gray and Nancy Thomas - March 06, 2016 at 11:15 AM

YJ

“ Your Caring friends at JMEG purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Myra Rawlinson.



Your Caring friends at JMEG - March 06, 2016 at 09:46 AM

BE

“ *She gave me my first real job . A true lady !! Berdon*

Berdon - March 05, 2016 at 06:03 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Myra Rawlinson.*



March 05, 2016 at 12:30 PM

SF

“ *Susan, Caron & Tim Beets and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Myra Rawlinson.*



Susan, Caron & Tim Beets and family - March 05, 2016 at 10:46 AM

JB

“ *Joe and Barb Butto purchased the Country Basket et Blooms for the family of Myra Rawlinson.*



Joe and Barb Butto - March 05, 2016 at 09:08 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Myra Rawlinson.



March 05, 2016 at 07:55 AM



“ *Mary Ann & Dale, Jeff, Kristin, James, Ashley, & Family* purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Myra Rawlinson.



Mary Ann & Dale, Jeff, Kristin, James, Ashley, & Family -
March 04, 2016 at 09:49 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Myra Rawlinson.



March 04, 2016 at 09:34 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Myra Rawlinson.



March 04, 2016 at 09:31 PM



“ *Garden of Sweet Memories Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Myra Rawlinson.*



March 04, 2016 at 09:28 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Myra Rawlinson.*



March 04, 2016 at 06:53 PM



“ *Jay English & English law purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Myra Rawlinson.*



Jay English & English law - March 04, 2016 at 06:35 PM



“ *Denise, Kristin, David and Lilly purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Myra Rawlinson.*



Denise, Kristin, David and Lilly - March 04, 2016 at 06:18 PM

TB

“ *My heart breaks for Joe and the family.....it's just hard to believe. I hope you all know that Ric and I are holding you close to our hearts. There are not enough words to express my sympathy, I love you all.... Trish*

Trish Burnett - March 04, 2016 at 06:02 PM