



Anita Lange Anderson

September 6, 1940 - May 6, 2026

Funeral services for Anita Pearl Lange Anderson, 85, of Big Sandy, Texas, will be held at 2:00 pm, Saturday, May 9, 2026, in the chapel of McWhorter Funeral Home with Bro. Donny Chamberlain officiating. Interment to follow at Grice Cemetery. The family will receive friends at 1:00 pm, prior to the service.

Anita was born on September 6, 1940, to Ernest Augusta Lange and Zada Estelle Hudson Lange, and passed from this life on May 6, 2026, in Big Sandy, Texas.

Anita graduated from Harmony High School in 1958. During her time in school, she excelled at sports. She participated in both volleyball and basketball, once scoring an impressive 51 points in a single basketball game. In 1963, Anita was working in Dallas as a secretary when JFK was shot. She recalled that people were crying and in shock. In 1970, she rode out Hurricane Celia while she was living in Corpus Christi, Texas. At the time, it was the costliest in Texas history, causing significant damage to the Corpus Christi area. Anita worked for Exxon in the Safety and Hazmat department for many years before her retirement.

Those left to cherish her memory are her children, Eddie Anderson (Kristy), Tina Johnson (Walt), and Misti Anderson; brother, Maceo Johns (Kitsey); grandchildren, Stephanie Lege, Megan Valenzuela, Hayden Anderson, Colten

Brill, Caleb Anderson, Hunter Anderson, Caden Anderson, Mark Johnson, Matthew Johnson, Paul Johnson, Trent Bishop, and Trevor Bishop; 22 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great grandchild; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Harold Anderson; daughter, D'lorah "DeeDee" Shannon; grandson, Shawn Shannon; siblings, Vera Haws, Buddy Lange, and Sandra Brill.

Pallbearers will be Matthew Johnson, Mark Johnson, Paul Johnson, Caleb Anderson, Hunter Anderson, Cade Anderson, Trent Bishop, Trevor Bishop, Hayden Anderson, and Colten Brill.

Please visit Anita's online registration book at www.mcwhorterfh.com to leave a memory for the family.

Cemetery Details

Grice Cemetery

7578 Giraffe Road
Gilmer, TX 75644

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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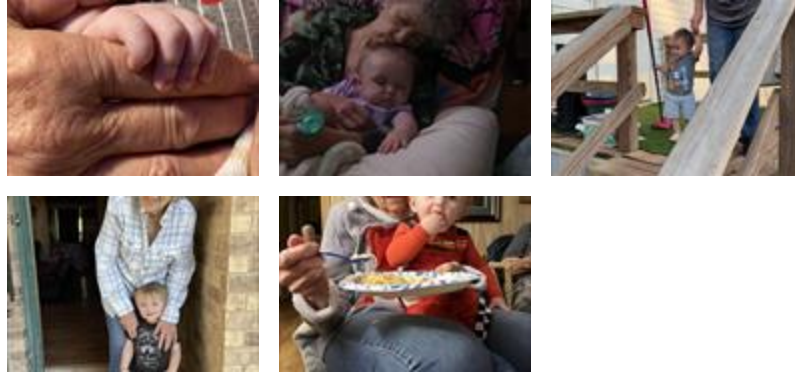


I started First grade with Anita at Harmony School in 1947 or 48. She, Martha Morris Lee all started together and we've remained friends for all these years. We formed a singing trio and performed at numerous functions, gatherings and Church services. We won 1st Place at the Yamboree Singing Contest in 1955 or 56. So Many Memories!! I will miss you, Dear Forever Friend!! I will see you AGAIN!!

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“ grandma was our very best friend, and will be loved and cherished for the rest of our lives ☐



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