



## Billie Stevenson

March 7, 1928 - June 1, 2019

Funeral services for Billie Stevenson, 91, of Gilmer, will be held at 10:00 am., Tuesday, June 4, 2019, at First United Methodist Church, with Rev. Matthew Smith and Rev. Richard Laster officiating. A reception immediately following the service will be held in the fellowship hall. Interment will be held at Maple Springs Cemetery, Leesburg, Texas. The family will receive friends between 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm, Monday, June 3, 2019, at McWhorter Funeral Home. Billie was born, March 7, 1928, to Travis Winfree Dawson and Jo Edna Scott Dawson, in Austonio, Texas, and passed from this life, June 1, 2019, in her home surrounded by her loving children.

Billie began life in Austonio, Texas. She graduated from high school there and she was married to Bill in the Austonio Baptist Church on Saturday, September 2, 1950.

She met Bill on a blind date while living in Houston, Texas where she worked as Sales Manager for Hutchison Manufacturing. They began their married life in Houston.

She and Bill moved to Gilmer shortly after the birth of their first child. In Gilmer, they began working for John and Eunice Brogoitti (Bill's aunt and uncle) at Gilmer Seed and Feed. In 1976 Bill and Billie became owners of Gilmer Seed and Feed. They began Custom Commodities in the early 1980's. The First United Methodist Church played a dominate role in her life. She was a member of the F & F Class for decades, Sunday School teacher, served on various boards, helped with Vacation Bible School, longtime choir member;

she loved the many friends and blessings of her church family.

Family was dear to her heart and the advent of spouses, grandchildren, great grandchildren was joy for her.

Parties, shopping, decorating, impromptu coffee and spiced cider shared with precious friends provided her happiness and fun. Being able to “go” brought a smile to her face.

She is survived by her children; Jo Stevenson, David L. Stevenson and wife, Dixie, and Tammy Orms and husband, Terry; grandchildren; David Anthony Stevenson and wife, Lacey, Katie Nugent and husband, Jake, Sarah Bones and husband, Jeremy, and John H. Moore and wife, Allison; 12 great grandchildren; Hagen Hagler, Emma Stevenson, Ella Stevenson, William Stevenson, George Stevenson, Katherine Bones, Landon Bones, Luke Bones, Cassidy Nugent, Justin Nugent, Bre Reynolds and Derek T. Moore. She is preceded in death by her husband, Bill Stevenson; her parents; brother, Louis Dawson; and sister, Mura Pfeiffer.

Pallbearers will be Dwight Brannon, Norman Hastings, Frank Breazeale III, Gary Smith, Kirk Green and Larry Morse.

Honorary pallbearers will be the F & F Sunday School Class.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 105 N.

Montgomery St., Gilmer, Texas, 75644.

Please visit Billie’s on-line registration book at [www.mcwhorterfh.com](http://www.mcwhorterfh.com) to leave a memory for the family.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Billie Stevenson.* ”



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June 04, 2019 at 07:56 AM



“ *My prayers and thoughts are all Miss Billie's family & friends. She was a very sweet lady.* ”



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**Linda ShawBond** - June 03, 2019 at 07:53 PM



“ *When I first was employed by Custom Commodities and first met Miss Billie, I was very impressed with how gracious and down to earth she was!! She was a very sincere person to everyone!! She will be missed greatly!! My prayers and thoughts are with all the family.* ”

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**Carrol Baker** - June 03, 2019 at 01:41 PM

TW

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Billie Stevenson, what a loss to all who knew her and her family. Such a wonderful lady with a lovely smile who spread cheer to all she met. She was a great inspiration to all and is now in Heaven, free of any pain or suffering. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family in the coming days.

*Tony & Marsha Whitfield  
Longview, Texas*

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**Tony Whitfield** - June 03, 2019 at 10:04 AM

PP

“ Our prayers are with the family at this time.  
*Pamela and Terry Pyeatt*

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**Pamela P** - June 03, 2019 at 09:58 AM



“ *Roses For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Billie Stevenson.*



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June 02, 2019 at 09:39 PM

CJ

“ *Billie Stevenson was one of the kindest, sweetest ladies we have ever known. She and our Aunt Zella Johnson (who worked with her at Gilmer Seed & Feed for over 40 years) were like sisters.*

*Our prayers go out to the entire Stevenson family. May the Holy Spirit bring comfort and peace to you in your loss.*

*Charles and Charlotte Johnson*

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**Charles & Charlotte Johnson** - June 02, 2019 at 09:29 PM

KB

“ *To Tammy Sue & David: Our prayers go out to you both & all of your family asking Jesus to comfort each of you at this time. Your mother was such a kind, sweet, very beautiful lady; one I'll never forget as she always sported a sweet smile. Oh my, how she's dancing around Jesus' throne today with her loved loved ones. To God be the Glory Forever, 🙏*  
*With sincere, deepest sympathy,*  
*Keith & Donna Blanton*  
*White Oak*



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**Keith & Donna Blanton** - June 02, 2019 at 05:29 PM

BH

“ *We have many fond memories of time shared with this beautiful, thoughtful lady. Her gentle nature coupled with the grace and poise of a true southern lady always inspired me. We shall miss her greatly.*

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**Bud and Nancy Hudgins** - June 02, 2019 at 03:42 PM



“ *My condolences to Billie's family she was such a sweet soul she would call to check on my client always asked how I was and would tell my client he was blessed to have me and how blessed she was to be able to stay at her home and have her loving daughter to be with her lots of time*

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**Joannie Lynch** - June 02, 2019 at 03:42 PM

SH

“ *I so enjoyed the time I got to spend with Ms Billie loving referred to as Mom as her companion. She brought so much joy to my life. Sharing one of her favorite meals of beans, greens and cornbread with a big slice of onion. I will treasure my memories of our time together.*

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**Susan Hagler** - June 02, 2019 at 03:24 PM

ML

*Mrs. Billie, I know her a long time. She was always so sweet she always had a smile for You. Mike Lee*

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**Michael Lee** - June 02, 2019 at 10:02 PM

MK

*She was always such a good friend to my sister, Sarah, visiting her at Wesley House and other locations. She was always with a smile. I enjoyed knowing her. Prayers for Tammy Sue and David.*

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**Mary Laschinger Kirby** - June 03, 2019 at 11:32 AM

RC

*To be around Mrs. Stevenson was like getting a lesson in respect, dignity, love, kindness, gentleness, and fun all at the same time. The story of her name confirmed the sensitive, high caliber life she lived. What an example for us all. Feel blessed to have known her. We love you all, Rex Cly and family.*

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**Rex Cly** - June 06, 2019 at 01:23 PM