

LAVAGA RENSHAW LONG

1932-2011

DECATUR: Lavaga Renshaw Long, 79, a retired teacher, died on Tuesday, October 18, 2011, in Decatur.

Lavaga was born February 16, 1932, in Decatur to Kenny Wilkes and Thelma Stinger (Petty) Renshaw. She married Charles Ray Long on December 3, 1949, in Marietta, Oklahoma.

Lavaga graduated from the University of Texas in 1954, with a Bachelor of Science degree. She retired as a 4th grade teacher from Decatur ISD. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband of 61 years, Charlie Long; two daughters; Charlotte Williamson, Susanne Long Parker and husband, Randy all of Decatur; son, Charles Ray "Chuck" Long, Jr. and partner, Tom Amirante of Nashville, Tennessee; five grandchildren, Sarah Chirakadze, Stephen Parker, Ben Williamson, Patrick Parker and Jake Williamson; and ten great grandchildren.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Susan G. Komen Foundation, P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, Texas 75265-0309 or to the First United Methodist Church, 104 S. Miller, Decatur, Texas 76234.

Funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, October 20, 2011, at the First United Methodist Church with Reverends Shelly Brooks and Johnny Irish officiating. Interment was held at Oaklawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers included Stephen Parker, Patrick Parker, Ben Williamson, Jake Williamson, Kevin Major.

Honorary Pallbearers included Gene Blagg, J. E. Carson, Jerry Watson, Sam Renshaw, Allen Cocan-ougher, Alford Talley, Roy Eaton, Willard Howell, Bobby Boyd, Wayne Long, Bill Spain, Bobby Wilson, Glen Smith, Jimmy Henderson, Doyl Fred Jones and Sonny Burton.

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