

JANICE MEREDITH MANN GETTYS

1924-2013

DECATUR – Janice Meredith Mann Gettys, 89, of Decatur, died on Friday, May 24, 2013, in Bridgeport, Texas.

Janice was born January 5, 1924, to Charles Edgar and Hattie Daisy (Boyd) Mann, in Artesia, New Mexico. She married Charles Thomas Gettys on June 14, 1947, in Artesia, New Mexico. They made their home in Decatur, Texas and celebrated 60 years together until his passing in 2007. She graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Baylor University and first worked as a Laboratory Technician for Baylor Hospital in Dallas. She took time off from work to raise her children and then began teaching school in Bridgeport. After 19 years in education she retired from Decatur ISD. She was an active member of Decatur Women's Club and is a past president. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Decatur, was a devout Sunday school teacher there, and helped organize the church's daycare program.

Survivors include her son, Ronald Thomas Gettys, of Decatur, two daughters, Charlotte Meador and husband, Franklin, of Decatur, Leisa Waylett and husband, Manshadow, of Decatur; five granddaughters, Shauna Tomme, Eryn Gettys, Sterling Cole, LeaAnn Meador, Kara Overton; one grandson, Chance Overton; five great grandchildren, Triston Minihan, Matthew Tomme, Owen Cole, Nathan Cole, and Gracen Cole; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her four sisters, and her husband.

Donations can be made to the Decatur Public Library.

Funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 29, at the First Baptist Church of Decatur with Rev. Ken May and Gerre Joiner officiating. Burial followed at Oaklawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers included Martin Woodruff, Tim Woodruff, Mason Woodruff, Melton Cude, Chance Overton, Gavin Cole and John Tomme.

Honorary Pallbearers included Sammy Renshaw, J.E. Carson, Dr. W.M. Lewis, Franklin Meador, Manshadow Waylett, and Murray Cude.

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