

KATIE “BELLE” PERRIN SHANKS

1929-2015

CHICO: Katie “Belle” Perrin Shanks, 85, a retired secretary, died Saturday, October 17, 2015 in Decatur.

Belle was born on November 14, 1929 to Earl and Exa Mae (Womack) Perrin in Decatur, Texas. She was united in marriage to Gene Shanks on February 14, 1949 in Bridgeport. Belle was a secretary for Gifford Hill for 25 years until her retirement. She was a loyal Dallas Mavericks fan. Belle and her husband owned Shanks Grocery in Bridgeport.

Belle was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 50 years, “Big Gene” Shanks; and her brother, Charles Perrin.

Survivors include her daughters: Jerry Lowrance and husband, Johnny, of Chico; Terry Everett and husband, Gary, of Bridgeport and Patty Cook and husband, Sam Jr., of Bridgeport; her grandchildren: Cody and Terra, Clint and Becky, Taylor and Amber, Jordan and Christina, Katie and Trey. her great grandchildren: Kylee, Nash, Kinsler, Addison and Connor; her sisters: Earlene Buchholz and husband, Herb, of Sugarland and Jo Ann Johnston of Forreston; her brother: Frank Perrin and wife, Billie, of Decatur; numerous nieces, nephew, cousins and a host of friends.

Funeral service was at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at First United Methodist Church in Bridgeport with burial in East Bridgeport Cemetery. Reverend Sam Caldwell officiated.

Pall bearers included Cody Lowrance, Clint Lowrance, Katie Cook, Taylor Everett, Jordan Everett and Trey Cook.

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