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*BRIDGEPORT:* Virginia Ann Wood, 78, longtime resident of Bridgeport, died Friday, January 2, 2015 in Plano.

Virginia was born March 8, 1936 to Charlie and Clara (Gentry) Maxwell in Decatur, Texas. She grew up in Greenwood and graduated from Slidell High School. Virginia earned her teaching degree from North Texas State University, went on to earn a Masters degree, and taught at Bridgeport Elementary for roughly 30 years.

After retiring from public education, she soon missed the feeling of giving something back to the community. That's when she decided to volunteer. Soon volunteering became a way of life for Virginia. She was an active volunteer in the Bridgeport Garden Club, Beta Sigma Phi, Bridgeport Historical Society, Bridgeport Civic Club, and Bridgeport Main Street Board, at Bridgeport and Decatur Hospital Auxiliaries, and for Leadership West Wise, most of which she had presided as president at one time or another. She was director of the Bridgeport Historical Society and Bridgeport Museum.

She was named Woman of the Year in Bridgeport in March 2003.

She is survived by son, Craig A. Wood and Christy Gibson of Bridgeport, Texas; granddaughter, Leah Wilson and husband, Joey, of Alvord, Texas; great-grandchildren: Ava and Jase; brother, Rex Maxwell and wife, Barbara, of Greenwood, Texas; sisters: Carolyn Addison and husband, Charles, of Albertville, Alabama and Kathleen Stinnett and husband, Jerry, of Bridgeport and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband of 42 years, Richard M. Wood.

Donations may be made to the Bridgeport Historical Society.

Services were held Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at the First United Methodist Church of Bridgeport, officiated by Rev. Sam Caldwell. Burial followed at Greenwood Cemetery.

*Jones Family Funeral Home  
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