



*Patricia Ellen Allen*

*May 18, 1928 - October 2, 2021*



*Patricia Ellen Allen*, 93, of Silsbee, died on Saturday, October 2, 2021. She was born on May 18, 1928, in Carlton, Oregon, to Josephine Black Anderson and Walter Anderson.

Mrs. Allen was a resident of Silsbee since 1954. She was a longtime member of First Baptist Church, Silsbee, where she volunteered in the nursery for many years.

Survivors include her sons, Joel Allen and his wife, Kathleen, of Reston, Virginia; Doug Allen and his wife, Colleen, of Silsbee; and Kevin Allen of Paris, France; grandchildren, Kimberly Allen of Reston, Virginia; Gregory Allen and his wife, Sarah, of Richmond, Virginia; Billy Allen, and Jill Tarkington and her husband, Danny, all of Silsbee; Nicolas Allen and Etienne Allen, both of La Rochelle, France; and Alexandre Allen of Sacramento, California; and great-grandchildren, Bailey Allen, Anderson Allen, Clint Tarkington, Kristopher Allen, Shelby Tarkington, Kadin Allen, Marcel Louis Daniel Allen. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband of seventy years, Foerst Mark Allen; and sisters, Catherine Jernstedt and Janet Robertson.



## To Those Whom I Love & Those Who Love Me

*When I am gone, release me, let me go.  
I have so many things to see and do,  
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,  
But be thankful we had so many good years.*

*I gave you my love, and you can only guess  
How much you've given me in happiness.  
I thank you for the love that you have shown,  
But now it is time I traveled on alone.*

*So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.  
It is only for a while that we must part,  
So treasure the memories within your heart.*

*I won't be far away for life goes on.  
And if you need me, call and I will come.*

*Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.  
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,  
All my love around you soft and clear.*

*And then, when you come this way alone,  
I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.*









It takes a Mother's Love to make a house a home,

“What Is A Mother’

A place to be remembered, no matter where we roam...

It takes a Mother's Patience to bring a child up right,

And her Courage and her Cheerfulness

To make a dark day bright...

It takes a Mother's Thoughtfulness

To mend the heart's deep “hurts”,

And her Skill and Endurance

To mend little socks and shirts...

It takes a Mother's Kindness to  
forgive us when we err.

To sympathize in trouble and

bow her head in prayer...

It takes a Mother's Wisdom

To recognize our needs

And to give us reassurance

By her loving words and deeds...

It takes a Mother's Endless Faith,

her Confidence and Trust

To guide us through the pitfalls  
of selfishness and lust...

And that is why in all this world

there could not be another

Who could fulfill God's purpose as  
completely as  
a Mother!







## Desiderata

GO PLACIDLY amid the noise and the haste and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.





### He Only Takes the Best

God saw he was getting tired,  
And a cure was not to be,  
So he put his arms around him,  
And whispered "Come with me",  
With tearful eyes we watched him suffer,  
And saw him fade away,  
Although we love him dearly,  
We could not make him stay,  
A golden heart stopped beating,  
Hard working hands to rest,  
God broke our hearts to prove to us,  
He only takes the best,  
Although his heart stopped beating,  
His love will always remain,  
His absence puts upon our hearts,  
A very heavy strain,  
For now he is in a place of everlasting rest,  
We just have to understand that God,  
He only takes the best.

**Graveside Service**

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 11:00 a.m.

R.S. Farmer Cemetery

Silsbee, Texas

Reverend Emanuel Tyler, Jr.

Jill Short, Soloist

**Pallbearers**

Billy Allen

Danny Tarkington

Clint Tarkington

Joel Allen

Kadin Allen

Doug Allen

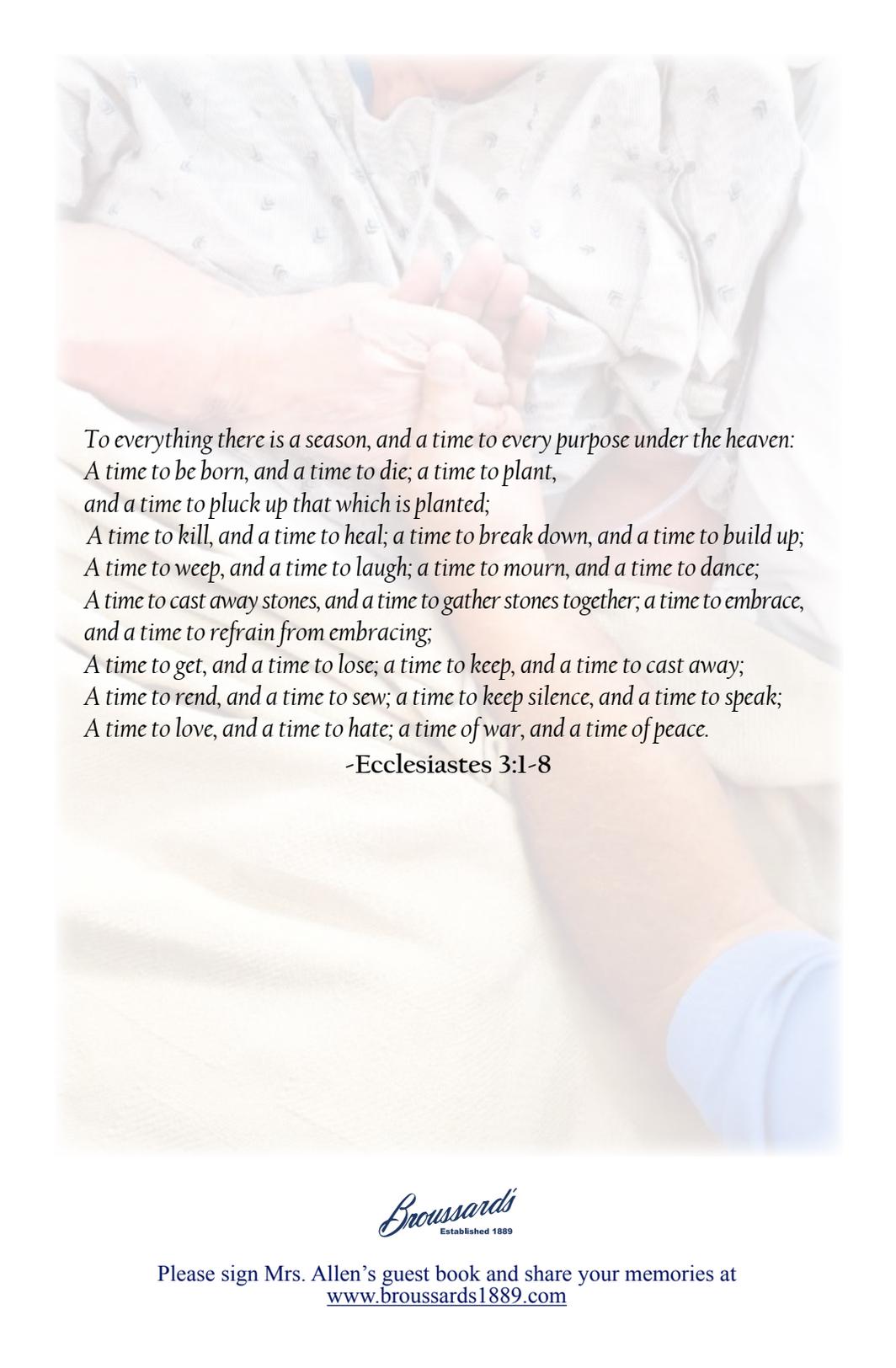
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**Memorial Contributions**

Christian Care Center

P.O. Box 2050

Silsbee, Texas 77656



*To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:  
A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant,  
and a time to pluck up that which is planted;  
A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;  
A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;  
A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace,  
and a time to refrain from embracing;  
A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;  
A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;  
A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.*

**-Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

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