



Virginia Austin

March 19, 1928 – October 1, 2021

Celebrating the Life of
Virginia Austin

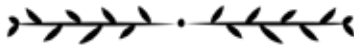
Thursday, October 7, 2021 11:00 a.m.

Trinity United Methodist Church

Beaumont, Texas

Dr. Raymond McHenry

Reverend Tommy Williams



Scripture & Prayer

“Amazing Grace”

by Olivia Austin

Family Reflections

The Lord’s Prayer

Eulogy

“How Great Thou Art”

by Pam Pate

Prayer



Virginia Austin, 93, of Beaumont, died Friday, October 1, 2021. She was born on March 19, 1928, in Haskell, Texas to Lelia Montgomery and James Cox. She was raised on a farm along with her 3 sisters, however her father passed away when she was just 9 years old. Shortly after, she moved to Fort Worth where she attended school and led the rhythm band, was a cheerleader, and played basketball and softball. She graduated high school and married her dear Jim

at 19 in her mother's living room on January 2, 1947. That love story lasted almost 68 years which was such a testament to the biblical marriage bond they both lived, treasuring, and honoring each other daily. When tragedy struck with the sudden loss of their son David, Jim carried her through the roughest time of her life, but she never lost her faith which she had leaned on through the hard times before. Always trusting God and maintaining a faithful relationship was a legacy she left for all of us.

Greg and Janiece's marriage brought them back to a family of four. Definitely the very happiest days of her life were the births of each of her 5 grandchildren. Since Janiece's parents were not living, she and Papa knew they had double duty, and they were the perfect example of how to grandparent. She and Papa attended almost every event in which the kids were involved and would babysit when Greg and Janiece were out of town. She had a special kind of love for each of the kids; never compared them, always glorying in each of their talents and comforting them when they struggled. She made sure that each of her grandchildren were spoiled with unending love and unwavering support. She even had play dates for many of their friends at her house, serving them Dr Pepper and ice cream on a tray with napkins! Several of the kids' friends have sent their remembrances of the joyful sleepovers at Mimi and Papa's. One of the most special gifts Mimi possessed was her

ability to listen with love and the assurance that whatever you were telling her would be kept secret, forever. We always knew the kids could share any highs or lows with her and she would always have the right words. When the kids grew up and moved away from Beaumont, she stayed in close contact with them, sharing stories at least weekly.

Her toughest challenge was losing Jim, the love of her life. She had a hard period of adjustment but once again held on to her faith and rebounded for her family. We know that was so very hard for her and always told her how proud we were to have her here with us. When her own health began declining, she leaned on the support of her family, Angela, Glenda, and caretaker “angels” who were with her until the very end. When God called her home this last time, she was ready. Strong, sweet and courageous, as always, she slipped away from us to be reunited with her heavenly family. What a blessing she was to anyone that ever knew her.

Survivors include her son, Greg Austin and his wife, Janiece, of Beaumont; and grandchildren, Mary Caroline Austin, Tara Montgomery Austin, Jonathan David Austin, Olivia Kathryn Austin, and Reece Nixon Austin.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim Austin; and son, David Austin.























Pallbearers

Jonathan Austin	Scott Monroe
Reece Austin	Robert Pate
Brett Austin	Mike Persia
Gene Burrus	Jerry Todd
Larry Busceme	Eloy Torres
Gerald Farha	Brett West
Brad Klein	Daryl Williams

Honorary Pallbearers

Marc Austin
Sam Citrano
Hugh Clubb
Buster Harrell
Charles Locke
Herman McClinton

Interment

Forest Lawn Memorial Park
Beaumont, Texas

Memorial Contributions

Julie Rogers Gift of Life Program
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Beaumont, Texas 77706

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Westgate Memorial Baptist Church
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