

Billie Barker

September 26, 1930 - June 13, 2023

Celebrating the Life of

Billie Barker

Tuesday, June 20, 2023 10:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church

Hamshire, Texas

Reverend Bruce Stinson

"Mama" B.J. Thomas

Welcome and Prayer

*"In the Garden"*Gina and Savannah Stinson

Remembering Ms. Billie

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"
Gina and Savannah Stinson

Message

Closing Prayer



When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom filled room
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not for long And not with your head bowed low Remember the love that once we shared Miss me, but let me go.

For this journey we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the master plan
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at all the things we used to do
Miss me, but let me go.

Christina Rossetti



Billie Barker, 92, of Winnie, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. She was born September 26, 1930, in Buna, to Herma Wright Crockett and William Purvis Crockett.

After graduating high school Billie met and married the love of her life, Aubrey A. Barker, Sr. on September 25, 1950. Together, the two made their first home in Groves, Texas where they welcomed their three sons. Billie was a gracious and loving homemaker, while also

pursuing her college degree. In 1960, the family moved to Hamshire, Texas, where they continued to raise their family. Billie's faith and commitment to her church was always known and something she instilled in every part of her family tree.

Billie, along with Aubrey, had a life mission of giving back to others; whether the church, their children, grandchildren, or just anyone in need. Though they lived a modest life, they invested in each of their children and grandchildren by way of time, love, and ultimately through education. They believed making memories were more valuable than anything you could ever purchase, and they spent many, many hours traveling to ensure they were always present for every child and grandchild's event; no matter the distance they were always present. They took their grandchildren on countless summer vacations, spent nearly every Sunday afternoon serving lunch for the family gathering, which was filled with – 'okay food' and lots of games and fun outdoor activities. Billie admitted that she loved teaching, and she finished college and pursued a teaching career for many reasons, but her priority was to be able to put that salary aside for her grandchildren.

And that she did. Her love, passion, and commitment to her family lives on through each of her grandchildren, as none of them would be who they are for many reasons, one being she helped fund each of their college educations. This is just one of many examples of the type of person Billie was.

Billie was strong willed and stubborn at times, but she also had an enormous heart and wonderful sense of humor. She was generous, loyal, and brave. She was clever and full to the brim with knowledge gained through all of her life experiences, which she shared with her family regularly. She will be remembered for all the heart she shared with her friends and family. She truly loved each of them- and if you knew her, you knew it. When her time came, she carried herself with dignity, strength, and full of love. She will be missed dearly.

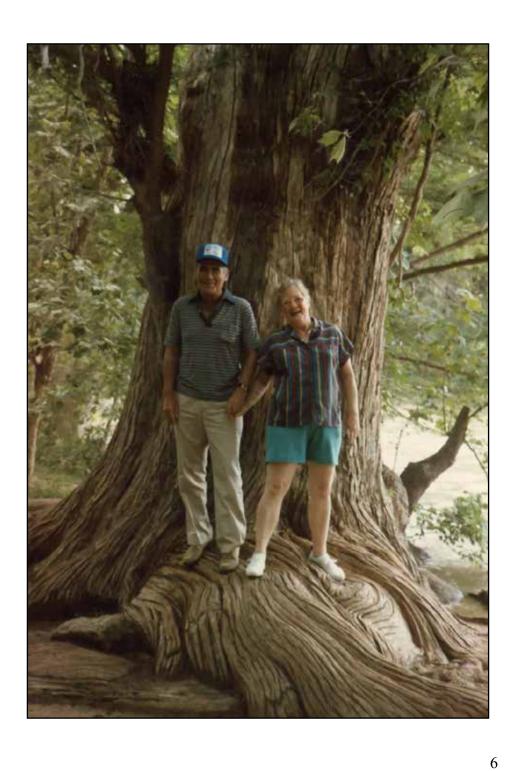
Survivors include her sons, Aubrey Alfred Barker, Jr. and wife, Debbie; Guy Purvis Barker and wife, Becky; and Russell Barker and wife, Charlene; grandchildren, Tiffany Coffman and husband, Jerrod; Keisha Smith and husband, Chris; Guy Jason Barker and wife, Kimberly; Amy Barker and husband, Billy Pattarozzi; Candice Austin and husband, Kris; and Russell Barker II; and great-grandchildren, Jace Coffman; Jaidyn Coffman; Cade Smith; Kamryn Smith; Aaron Barker; and Taya Manzo.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Aubrey Barker; and sister, Pat Whittaker.

















































Pallbearers

Jason Barker Guy Barker Russel Barker II Aaron Barker Cade Smith Billy Pattarozzi Jace Coffman

Interment

Greenlawn Memorial Park Groves, Texas

Memorial Contributions

First Baptist Church 25304 Highway 124 Hamshire, Texas 77622

