



*Esther Ruth Newell*

August 1, 1941 - August 30, 2023

Celebrating the Life of  
*Esther Ruth Newell*  
Thursday, September 7, 2023 4:00 p.m.  
Broussard's Chapel  
Silsbee, Texas  
Reverend David Cross

*"Sweet Beulah Land"*  
by The Petersens

Obituary and Opening Prayer

Worship Medley  
Congregational Singing

Eulogy  
Kent Newell, Scott Newell  
Lane Newell, Mike Newell

*"The Old Rugged Cross"*  
Video, Sung by Esther Ruth Newell

Message of Comfort

Closing Prayer

*"He Keeps Me Singing"*  
by The Whisnants

*"My health may fail, and my spirit grow weak, but God  
remains the strength of my heart and He is mine forever."  
Psalms 73:26*



On August 30, 2023, *Esther Ruth Newell* went home to her Lord and Savior. Esther was born on August 1, 1941, to Richard Young McDonald and Emma Pauline Farmer McDonald in Lexington, Mississippi. She married the love of her life, Kenneth Newell on May 6, 1960, in Quanah, Texas. Over time she became the mother to four boys and eventually made their home in Lumberton, Texas.

Esther's unwavering love for God was an inspiration to her husband, family, and everyone who knew her. The love, honor, and respect she had for her husband was

biblical and her unconditional love and support for her boys was the definition of a mother's love.

Esther joined her husband traveling and building churches while making new friends along the way. She and Ken spent a few years riding and traveling with old friends and new ones on their motorcycle. Esther loved to sing and would share the old hymns each opportunity she got. She was a wonderful southern cook who enjoyed telling stories at the dinner table over her delicious meals. She also enjoyed playing dominoes, Wahoo, and later bingo and winning at all. Esther developed a love for dancing in her early years that continued her entire life. Esther's beautiful smile and heartwarming laughter will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

Esther is survived by her husband of sixty-three years, Kenneth Newell; her children, Kent Newell and his wife, Kristi, of Ponchatoula, Louisiana; Scott Newell and his wife, Paige, of Kountze, Texas; Lane Newell and his wife, Sheila, of Lumberton, Texas; and Mike Newell and his wife, Deborah, of Marble Falls, Texas; eleven grandkids; fifteen great-grandkids; three great-great-grandkids; and sister, Tandy Boyd and her husband, Bill, of Brookeland, Texas. She is preceded in death by her parents; sister, Theresa Louise Hall; and brother, Richard Young McDonald, Jr.

Esther's testimony to all is, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16





















### **Interment**

Saturday, September 9, 2023 11:00 a.m.  
Quanah Cemetery  
Quanah, Texas

### **Memorial Contributions**

Alzheimer's Association  
700 North Street, Suite M  
Beaumont, Texas 77701



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