

Ruth Cope Chamberlain

October 14, 1925 - October 10, 2023

Mass of Christian Burial

Monday, October 16, 2023 10:00 a.m. Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church China, Texas

GATHERING RITE

GREETING AND BLESSING OF THE BODY

As a reminder of Ruth's Baptism, her casket has been sprinkled with Baptismal water. Then, a pall, recalling the white garment of her Baptism, is placed on the casket.

"If we have died with Christ, we are also to live with Christ in glory."

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Wisdom 3: 1-9

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 23

Response: "The Lord is my Shepherd."

Second Reading I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading John 14:1-6

Homily

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: "Lord, hear our prayer."

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts "Ave Maria"

Eucharistic Acclamations Holy, Holy, Holy

Mystery of Faith Great Amen

Communion Rite The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace Lamb of God

Communion "On Eagle's Wings"

Meditation "Be Not Afraid"

Prayer After Communion

FINAL COMMENDATION

Invitation of Prayer

Song of Farewell:



Prayer of Commendation

PROCESSION TO PLACE OF COMMITTAL



Ruth Cope Chamberlain, 97, of Pearland, formerly of Beaumont, died Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at The Reserve at Pearland, Pearland. She was born October 14, 1925, in New Orleans, Louisiana, to Rose Thibodeaux Cope and Eugene Cope.

Ruth was an amazing seamstress and cook. She often gave cooking instructions to her children and

her grandchildren over the phone. Ruth grew up in China, Texas, where she claimed to be the fastest runner in town and was on the winning high school basketball team. She loved her family and prayed and worried about them daily. Ruth never made a quick decision in her life, but when she met her husband of seventy-three years, she married him six months later.

She traveled to all fifty states in a motorhome with Will. Ruth loved playing ball and gave every grandchild a ball on their first birthday. Because she could always be called upon to give medical advice from her medical and prescription books, her family called her "Dr. Ruth."

Ruth is survived by her daughters, Karen Holcomb and her husband, Haden, of Weatherford; Rose Mary Guidry and her husband, Michael, of Alvin; sisters, Louise McDonald of Lumberton and Gladys Ainsworth of China; grandchildren, Kristen Pilkington and her husband, Jeff, of Willow Park; Justin Holcomb of New York City, New York; Amanda McKay and her husband, Mike, of Pearland; Janet Alcayaga and her husband, Eduardo, of Pearland; Brian Guidry and his wife, Brook, of Athens; Michelle Baker and her husband, Jared, of Aubrey; great-grandchildren, Greyson Pilkington, Ashley, Haley and Emily McKay, Gabriella and Isaac Alcayaga, Izabella and Brantley Guidry, and Charlotte Baker.

She was preceded in death by her husband of seventy-three years, Wilfred Chamberlain; sister, Audrey Bracewell; brothers, Eugene (Buddy) Cope, Nolan Cope, and Dalton Cope.

















































Celebrant Reverend Polycarp Otieno, F.M.H. Placing of the Pall Karen Holcomb and Rose Guidry Gift Bearers Haley McKay, Emily McKay

Gabi Akayaga, Izzy Guidry

Amanda McKay and Michelle Baker Lectors

Eucharistic Minister Kristen Pilkington

Music Ministers Janet Alcayaga, Justin Holcomb

Eduardo Alcavaga

Pallbearers Michael Guidry, Brian Guidry, Jeff Pilkington

Justin Holcomb, Edmundo Flores, Juan M. Garza

Nathan Staggs

Interment

China Cemetery China, Texas

"Never let anything so fill you with sorrow that you forget the joy of the resurrection."

Mother Teresa

