



Helen Fox Smith

February 15, 1936 - November 28, 2015

Funeral services for Helen Smith, 79 of Giddings, Texas, are scheduled for 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 5, 2015 at the First Baptist Church in Giddings with Rev. Tim Edwards officiating. A private family burial will be held at the Yegua Creek Ranch Cemetery in Dime Box. Visitation will be held on Friday, December 4, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and on Saturday, December 5, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The Smith family will be present for visitation Friday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Smith passed away the evening of Saturday, November 28, 2015 in Georgetown, Texas.

Helen was born in Waco, Texas on February 15, 1936, to John Howard Fox and Mary Emma (Schmoyer) Fox. Following graduation from Hearne High School in 1954 she enrolled in Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1957. She was united in marriage to John Dodd Smith on August 29, 1959 in Hearne, Texas. Other notable achievements were the Betty Bryant Memorial Award, President of Standards Board, Giddings Public Library Board, and member of Zeta Tau Alpha. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Giddings and a former member of the Giddings Study Club. She was also instrumental in involving Giddings in U.I.L. Literary competition. She later received her Master of

Education Degree in 1974. Her first teaching assignment was teaching senior English at Rylie High School in Dallas, Texas. She retired from teaching in Giddings in 1994 and spent the following years ranching with her husband.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sisters, Betty Fox and Susan Fox.

Survivors include husband, John Dodd Smith of Giddings; son, Bryan Fox Smith and wife, Laura of Canyon, Texas; daughter, Catherine Leigh Smith Ingram of Houston, Texas; grandson, Garrett Smith and wife, Hannah of College Station, Texas; and granddaughter, Rachel Smith of Canyon, Texas.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 759, Giddings, Texas 78942 or to the charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Yegua Creek Ranch Cemetery

County Road 114
Dime Box, TX 77853

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 4. 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
Giddings, TX 78942
(979) 542-3113
phillipsluckey@yahoo.com
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

Family Present for Visitation

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Church Service

DEC 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Giddings
600 Sunrise Avenue
Giddings, TX 78942

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Helen Fox Smith*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - December 02, 2015 at 12:20 PM

PJ

*John and family,
We were sorry to hear about the passing of your beloved Helen. May God give you peace and comfort during this difficult time, in a way that only He can do. The video tribute is beautiful!*

*Our sympathy and prayers,
Dennis and Pat Crossland Jordan*

PAT JORDAN - December 02, 2015 at 10:26 PM

KB

What a beautiful tribute to such a beautiful, beautiful woman, inside and out. I cherish the memories I have. Blessings and Love to the entire family. I am so very sorry for your loss. Kay Bulgerin, Taylor, TX

Kay Bulgerin - December 03, 2015 at 06:02 PM

EW

Was so very sorry to just hear of Helens passing.. I went to school with Helen in Hearne and visited with you and Helen at our class reunions. John I'm so very sorry.

*Sincerely,
Elizabeth Howard Wallace*

Elizabeth Howard Wallace - December 07, 2015 at 07:25 PM

LE

“ My brother, Bernard Williams, shared the sad news to me yesterday. I am so very sad to hear Helen has passed away. Our conversations in the past have always been warm and pleasant. Helen had an engaging personality that elicited an emotional connection when we spoke. I will always remember Helen in a loving way. May God bless her family with rich and wonderful memories of their dear sweet Helen.

Sincerely,

Linda Ellison

(Niece to Oliver & Minivera Thomas)



Linda W Ellison - December 14, 2015 at 03:28 PM



“ A Lilly in Heaven for sure. Please except our deepest sympathy during this time. Please know that I have always respected the Smith family. May God comfort you in this time of loss.

Jollie Bernard Williams

Jollie Yvonne Williams - December 14, 2015 at 07:14 AM

NB

“ She will be forever missed. Her dry humor, friendship and oil business expertise meant the world to us. God wanted her more and found a way to take her home. Our loss is heavens gain. We are donating 2 books to the Gidding library in her name. Nancy Leroy and Miles Von Bieberstein

nancy leroy and miles biebersgtein - December 04, 2015 at 05:35 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen Fox Smith.*



December 04, 2015 at 01:13 PM



“ *Rodney & Sandi Smith, Jean Smith Weaver, Bonnie C. Smith purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Helen Fox Smith.*



Rodney & Sandi Smith, Jean Smith Weaver, Bonnie C. Smith
- December 04, 2015 at 11:34 AM



“ *Our heartfelt sympathy to you and your family during this difficult time. May you find comfort in the thought that your loved one now walks close to God surrounded by His love. Rudy and Jeanette Knippa*

Jeanette Knippa - December 03, 2015 at 08:21 PM



“ *I am so very sad to hear about Mrs. Smith. She was my 5th grade teacher and was one of the best. I think of her often and have great memories from her class, so this is sad news.*

My prayers are with the family. I know she is in a great place. She sure did keep up with herself and had a long life. XOXO

Heather Charanza - December 03, 2015 at 01:23 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Helen Fox Smith.*



December 03, 2015 at 11:26 AM



“ *I extend my sympathy and love to the family of Helen and my thoughts and prayers are with you. Helen was a classmate through elementary and High School at Hearne. So many memories of school and band and activities of those very early years that will forever be in my heart. I am sad but grateful for her life.*

Eddie Smith

Tyler, Texas

Eddie Smith - December 02, 2015 at 08:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Helen Fox Smith.*



December 02, 2015 at 07:01 PM



“ 28 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - December 02, 2015 at 12:08 PM

LP

“ *Linda Pfeffer lit a candle in memory of Helen Fox Smith*



Linda Pfeffer - December 02, 2015 at 11:29 AM

MA

“ *Heaven received another Angel, so sorry to hear of Helen's passing, Condolences to her Family.*



Marilyn Adams - December 01, 2015 at 05:39 PM

JH

“ *Janis And Calvin Hannes lit a candle in memory of Helen Fox Smith*



Janis and Calvin Hannes - December 01, 2015 at 04:44 PM

DG

“ *Mrs. Smith was a wonderful teacher and person. She had very high standards for her students. I'm thankful to her for exposing me to learning and cultural experiences I wouldn't have otherwise had.*



Detra Gentry - December 01, 2015 at 04:42 PM

IS

Heaven surely received an angel. Such a wonderful person. Prayers going out for the family.

ina sowers - December 01, 2015 at 10:08 PM

BT

“ *BOB AND CINDY THORP lit a candle in memory of Helen Fox Smith*



BOB AND CINDY THORP - December 01, 2015 at 12:20 PM

DR

“ *Helen was such a fine and true lady, a wonderful person and excellent teacher. She will be missed by all who knew her.*

Dixie Reed - December 01, 2015 at 12:07 PM

JC

“ *May God be with you and your family during your time of grief. She was truly a special lady and always had time and a beautiful smile for everyone.*



Joy Cowman - December 01, 2015 at 09:32 AM

DT

“ *Mrs. Smith was one of my favorite teachers. It was always a joy to see her again, though it has been a good while now. I know she had a positive impact on a lot of her students.*

--Darrell Trammel

Darrell Trammel - December 01, 2015 at 09:29 AM

JS

“ *Julie Tonn & Dr. Jimmy Stewart lit a candle in memory of Helen Fox Smith*



Julie Tonn & Dr. Jimmy Stewart - December 01, 2015 at 08:39 AM

LC

“ *Linda Cook lit a candle in memory of Helen Fox Smith*



Linda Cook - November 30, 2015 at 10:09 PM



“ *I was her neighbor for many years. She was always the kindest person and had such a positive outlook. She was always willing to help for anything at any time-all you had to do was ask, and she said ..of course! I can't tell you how many fund raisers she helped to support our daughter Lindsey.*

Kelley Richardson - November 30, 2015 at 08:53 PM

DH

“*Earth hath no sorrows
that heaven can't heal.”
As I softly repeat it
great comfort I feel.
And I long to reach out
to those in the storm
of sorrow's dark night
and point to the morn,
when joy will abound
up there in the skies,
as God gently wipes
the tears from our eyes!
Oh, then we'll see clearly
the face we adore
and greet our dear loved ones
who've gone on before.
Gone every heartache
that here we may feel;
for "earth hath no sorrows
that heaven can't heal!"
"Consolation" by Alice Hansche Mortenson*



Sincere sympathy to the family.

*Your former student,
Dolly Droemer Hoeinghaus*

Dolly Droemer Hoeinghaus - November 30, 2015 at 08:00 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Helen Fox Smith.* ”



November 30, 2015 at 05:08 PM