



## Julia Estelle Luckey King

January 7, 1916 - July 31, 2014

Funeral services for Julia Estelle Luckey King, age 98 will be held 2:00 p.m. Sunday, August 3, 2014 at First Baptist Church in Rockdale with Rev. Bruce Mercer, Gentiva Hospice Chaplain and Brother David Kaufman officiating. Burial will be next to her husband in the Salty Cemetery near Thorndale. Visitation is Sunday, August 3rd, 10:00 a.m. to Noon at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home and 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church. Pallbearers are her grandson, Brady Nelson, Jr., great-grandsons, Brady Nelson, III, Brent Jones, Blair Jones and special friends, Martin Juarez and James Perry. Honorary pallbearers are her "vet" nephews, Bill Luckey, Harold Luckey and Gene Luckey. Mrs. King was born on January 7, 1916 to John R. and Enolie (Miller) Luckey near Rockdale. She passed away Thursday morning, July 31, 2014 in the Rockdale Residence and Rehabilitation Center where she had resided for the past 7 years. Julia was one of 9 children and was raised in the rural farm communities near Rockdale. She attended schools in San Anders and San Gabriel. She and William Forrest King were married at Sandow on September 21, 1936. They had one daughter, Barbara King Nelson. Julia was preceded in death by her husband on March 15, 1967; her son-in-law Brady Nelson, Sr. on October 6, 2010; five brothers, three sisters and her parents. She is survived by her daughter, Barbara Nelson; two grandchildren, Kim Leschber, Brady Nelson, Jr. and wife Sherri all of Rockdale; Four great-grandchildren, Brenten Jones and wife Stephanie of Cibolo, Texas, Blair Jones of College Station, Kaybee Nelson and Brady Nelson, III of Rockdale.

Also twin great-great grandsons, Kaden and Karson Jones of Cibolo along with several nieces and nephews. Julia was a lifelong member of the First Baptist Church of Rockdale. She also attended churches at Salty and San Gabriel in her early years. She was a devout Christian and loved her church and church family. She was a Sunday school teacher for Bethany Sunday school class and for many years was active in the elder ministry Monday AM program provided for the residents of Manor Oaks Nursing Home. She was a private duty nurse and caregiver. Her love for her family was her greatest joy next to her love of music and playing the piano and singing gospel and folk songs. Her beautiful life spanned World War I, the Great Depression, World War II and all the recent conflicts. She survived a serious bout with cancer when she was in her early 30's. She lived a simple life and never tired of "giving" of herself to help others. Her sweet smile, gentle nature and lovely blue eyes endeared her to those who knew her. Her feisty spirit, however, was one to be dealt with carefully. The family wishes to thank Dr. Janelle House and the staff at Rockdale Residence and Rehab and Gentiva Hospice for their kind and constant care. Memorials in her memory can be made to First Baptist Church, 240 Green Street, Rockdale, Texas 76567 or to the Window Restoration Fund for the Salty Community Church, c/o Rebecca McWilliams, 230 CR 447, Thorndale, Texas 76577. She is now singing with the angels.....

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“ *Julia Estelle Luckey King*

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