



Ruby F. Sharp

June 28, 1918 - January 31, 2014

Ruby F. Sharp was born June 28, 1918 to Ed and Hattie (Hannes) Riske on a farm in Dime Box, Texas. Ruby was baptized on July 21, 1918 and was confirmed July 19, 1932 by Pastor Miller at St. John Lutheran Church in Dime Box, Texas. Ruby graduated as Valedictorian of her class in May, 1937. Even with scholarships she received, Ruby decided to move to Houston, Texas in 1938. Ruby worked as a grocery store cashier until 1942 when she went to work at Todd Shipyard, Houston, Texas during World War II. On November 19, 1944, Ruby married Orval T. Sharp. Ruby and Orval lived in Killeen, Texas while Orval was stationed at Camp Hood. On January 7, 1945, Orval was Honorably Discharged from the military as a Corporal. Ruby and Orval then moved to Pasadena, Texas. In January, 1945, Ruby went back to work for Todd Shipyard until it was sold to US Maritime. Ruby and Orval joined Zion Lutheran Church in 1950 where they were both very active in various church activities. In January, 1951, Orval became a manager for a Texaco Service Station where Ruby also helped as a cashier. On October 13, 1954, God blessed Ruby and Orval with a son, Thomas. Ruby went to work at Foley's Department Store in December, 1965 where, later, she was promoted to Wrap and Pack Department Supervisor. She retired in February 1988. On February 8, 1982, Ruby and Orval were blessed once again by God with a grandson, Frank. Orval passed away on May 8, 1986; they were blessed with almost 42 years of marriage. Ruby was an active gardener, raising flowers and many vegetables. Ruby was also into fitness and walked many hours and miles.

She later moved back to Dime Box, Texas in January, 2000. Ruby was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two brothers, and two sisters. She is survived by a son, Thomas Sharp and wife, Brenda of Dime Box, two grandsons, Frank Sharp of Houston, and Marty Bowles and fiancé, Ashley Harnadek of Cypress, two great-grandchildren, Tyler & Kaley Bowles of Cypress, two sisters, Maxine Meyer of Dime Box, and Floris Vavra of Dime Box, and niece, Carol Thacker of Houston. Funeral Services for Ruby F. Sharp will be at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, February 5, 2014 at St. John Lutheran Church, Dime Box, Texas, with burial at Grand View Memorial Park, Pasadena, Texas at 3:00 PM. Visitation will be at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home, Giddings on Tuesday, February 4, 2014 from 8:00 AM until 9:00 PM, with the family present from 6:00 – 8:00 PM., and on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 from 7:00 AM until 8:00 AM. Memorials have been requested for the Alzheimer's Association or a charity of one's choice.