



Dorothy Runnels

December 7, 2017

Preceded in death by parents Thomas Collie Waldrop & Mary Frances Catherine Erwin Waldrop, Dorothy Waldrop Runnels, 91, passed away after suffering a stroke and heart failure at her home in Spring, Texas, so she may be near her Granddaughter Lora. Born in Waco, Texas, Dorothy resided most of her life in Houston, Brenham, and Waco. She was in the "Famous" Waco High School Graduating Class of 1943. Still friends with many to this day and her best friend Milton Wilson. Then she attended Business College and saved up enough money to pay part tuition at Baylor University and take a chance at it all. While working in the Dean's office, with a Major in journalism she made very little money. Dorothy left school and got a better job with the Veterans Administrations Contact Office. It was there that she met her future husband Olan Runnels. They married June 5, 1947, two days after Olan's Baylor Graduation and moved to McAllen, TX. A few years later and living in Houston, Dorothy gave birth to a son, the child she dreamed of. While Olan worked, transferring his family all over the US, Dorothy took care of the home and her son with a smile and made the most of her time by going on many adventures with lifelong friends, hosting parties, playing golf & bridge, and becoming a mother figure to many others whom dearly loved her. Once Olan retired, he and Dorothy traveled all over the world. Dorothy was a very special person that enjoyed life with respect and a sense of humor. She carried a spark in her smile and laugh that will never be forgotten and greatly missed. She is survived by her son, Robert Jeffrey Runnels and wife Belinda

Ainsworth-Echarte, granddaughter Lora Runnels Sundbeck, grandsons Dale & Robert, six great grandchildren, London, Henning, Makayla, Alayna, Ethan, and Aubrey.

Tribute Wall

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“ We have such fond memories of being with Dottie and RJ at their place in Chappell Hill and also at Bluebonnet Hills with Mom and Dad. We all used to have so much fun. Dottie was a glorious person!

Tina, Jack & Trey Ross - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Tina, Jack & Trey Ross lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Runnels



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