



Emily Stairhime

December 9, 2023

A Tribute To
Ms. Emily S. Stairhime

Emily Irene Sikes Stairhime was born in Gilberttown, AL. She passed away on December 9, 2023, at 90 years of age.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Irene Nordan Sikes Green and Amos Wesley Sikes, Sr., her sister, Helen Marie Vinson, and her brother, Amos Wesley “Buddy” Sikes, Jr. She is survived by two sons, Walter L. “Lucky” Stairhime, Jr. and wife, Renee of Navasota, TX, and Steven D. Stairhime and wife, Elizabeth of Waller, TX, and two daughters, Cynthia S. McGill and husband, Patrick W. (preceded in death) of Houston, TX and Patricia S. Voss and husband, James “Jim” of Tomball, TX. Her survivors also include 11 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, along with many nieces and nephews and extended family.

Emily spent 38 years working at the Houston Police Department, retiring in 1992 as Executive Secretary serving many Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs over that time and making lifelong friends.

The matriarch of her family whom affectionately called her “Granny”, she was a devoted mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, always providing unwavering support and instilling the values of hard work, integrity, faith, and

love. She was an excellent cook, having learned many of her skills from her mother's boarding house kitchen, and was always happy preparing meals for family and friends, passing those recipes down to other generations. Family was the most important thing in her life, and she provided a constant example of how to live and love each other.

Our loss is Heaven's gain, and she will undoubtedly continue to watch over her family as she has always done.

Pallbearers: Walter L. Stairhime, Jr., Steven D. Stairhime, Wesley L.

Stairhime, Patrick M. McGill, Travis J. Stairhime, Lance S. Vinson, II

Honorary Pallbearers: Ryan M. Stairhime, Brett Boland, Gary Bielamowicz,

Nick Pilcik, Benjamin Jacob, Tom Edwards

Thank you for joining us to honor our mother's life and memory.

The Addison family and staff of Magnolia Funeral Home extend condolences to the Stairhime family during this difficult time.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **20**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Magnolia Funeral Home
811 South Magnolia Blvd.
Magnolia, TX 77355
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Funeral Service

DEC **20**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Magnolia Funeral Home - December 20, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Emily Stairhime.



December 19, 2023 at 11:40 PM



“ Tom and Patty Edwards planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Stairhime.

Tom and Patty Edwards - December 19, 2023 at 11:40 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Emily Stairhime.



December 18, 2023 at 10:22 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Emily Stairhime.*



December 18, 2023 at 09:23 AM



“ *From Ronald F. Harkins and family. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Emily Stairhime.*



From Ronald F. Harkins and family. - December 17, 2023 at 05:58 PM



“ *From Ronald F. Harkins and family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Stairhime.*

From Ronald F. Harkins and family. - December 17, 2023 at 05:58 PM



“ *Luckie and family, We are sending love and prayers your way. May you take comfort in knowing that she is at peace and walking the streets of gold hand in hand with our Saviour.
Cynthia and Rick Narum*

Cynthia & Rick Narum - December 17, 2023 at 04:18 PM

LN

“ *Lynette Oliveros, Curt & Julie Niel purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Emily Stairhime.*



Lynette Oliveros, Curt & Julie Niel - December 16, 2023 at 10:38 AM

YG

“ *Your Loving Grandchildren purchased the Laven der Reflections Spray for the family of Emily Stairhime.*



Your Loving Grandchildren - December 15, 2023 at 05:40 PM

SS

“ *I remember going to the police station with Aunt Mimi and playing office, going on road trips to Mississippi and Alabama to see family, hanging out with her and Mammaw -- mostly recall the way she loved my grandmother and my mom. And for that, I loved her more. I am so grateful for that last visit with her a few weeks ago when she got to meet my first granddaughter. Prayers for the entire family during this time of loss. I know she and Mammaw are cooking and talking away in Heaven, peaceful and their bodies are fully restored. Love, Sheri*

Sheri Stegent - December 15, 2023 at 04:50 PM

JA

“ You will always be my favorite aunt. You taught me how to roller skate. I went on many road trips with you and Mama through the years. You introduced me to Moo Goo Gai Pan - now one of my favorite dishes. Hug my sweet Mama! Y'all were the best cooks - I'm sure Heaven smells great!
Thank you for loving us just like your own kids. Love you, Janie

Jane - December 15, 2023 at 04:25 PM



“ Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Emily Stairhime.



December 15, 2023 at 04:21 PM

WM

“ We know she is talking it up with Mammaw planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Stairhime.

We know she is talking it up with Mammaw - December 15, 2023 at 04:21 PM

AC

“ Art and Georgia Carolel purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Emily Stairhime.



Art and Georgia Carolel - December 15, 2023 at 08:30 AM



“ Art and Georgia Carolel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emily Stairhime.

Art and Georgia Carolel - December 15, 2023 at 08:30 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Emily Stairhime.



December 14, 2023 at 06:57 AM

GS

“ I am sad to hear of the passing of Mrs Stairhime and wish the family peace and healing. Mrs Stairhime was very special to me and my family. Emily was my father's secretary for as long as I can remember and the matriarch of the police command staff. She was respected by all who knew her and was in charge when things had to be done.

As an intern at the police department in 1991, I would go to her office and use the typewriter to type school papers. As a young student and a "two finger masher" on the IBM, and a foul mouth student, I would exclaim an explicative after each errored entry on the machine. Mrs Stairhime would reprimand me about my choice words. After enough outburst, she would order me to leave my paper and leave the office and tell me to come back at the end of the day. I would return to the office and my paper would be completed. For the rest of the semester, I would go to the office, say my magic cuss words, she would throw me out and my papers were typed. She knew my plan but would take care of me anyway and always smile.

I offer that story because ladies like Mr Stairhime are no longer around. She was respected by many and loved by more, regardless of their rank or position. Mr Stairhime, managed the office and the division and Chiefs and Captains knew it and did not question her and that was a good thing. They may have been someone's boss, but they were not in charge.

I pray that Mrs Stairhime is at peace, and I know she is running the show in heaven, and I will watch my "Ps" and "Qs" in preparation to see her one day again.

Thank you Mrs Stairhime

from the Storemski family.

Gary Storemski

G Storemski - December 13, 2023 at 09:54 AM

JW

I knew Miss Emily as a young teen growing up in the Heights. She had a sister Marie Vinson. when she came to visit her I would see her. When I applied for the police Dept. I saw her many time at Chief McGill office, She was surprised to see me there, but gave me lots of support. She was always very nice and helpful, the Police family lost a angle in her passing

Thanks Mrs Stairhime for all the things you did for me and the other officers you helped through the years.

*James W. Walston
HPD Retired*

james walston - December 15, 2023 at 09:39 AM