



## Nelda Petty

September 18, 2015

Nelda Pearl Morris Petty- Passed away peacefully, with a smile on her face and song in her heart, September 18, 2015 – 9 days before her 94th birthday. She was born September 27, 1921 in Mountain View, AR to Montie Hubbard and Montie Artimsa Morris. Nelda attended high school in Ada, Oklahoma and El Reno, Oklahoma. She earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree at the University of Oklahoma in 1941. Upon graduation, she was recruited by Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville, OK and worked in the credit department. On November 8, 1942, she married her college sweetheart, Elijah Edward Petty; they were married for 67 years. During WWII, Nelda followed her husband, who was in the Army, to Brownwood, Texas and then Tucson, Arizona where she worked at the University of Arizona. After her husband was discharged from the Army, they returned to Norman, Oklahoma where she worked for the University of Oklahoma while her husband finished his degree in Chemical Engineering. For the next twenty years, Nelda was a homemaker and supported her husband in his career endeavors, as well as raising two children. She and her family lived in Sherman, TX., Jacksonville, Ill., Sao Paulo, Brazil, Kankakee, Ill, Decatur, Ill, Mt. Zion, Ill and in 1988, she and her husband moved to Houston, Texas and then partnered with their son and daughter-in-law in a ranching operation outside of Hempstead, Texas where she lived until July 2014 when she moved into an assisted living center in Tomball, Texas. Nelda was an accomplished pianist and organist and served as the organist in most of the churches she was a member of. She

became fluent in Portuguese while living Brazil, and she and her husband traveled extensively to Europe, the Middle East and Central and South America.

Nelda is preceded in death by her parents, Montie H. and Montie A. Morris, her beloved husband, Elijah Edward Petty, and her sister Jemetta Morris Hacker.

She is survived by her son, Montie Curtis Petty and wife Deborah, Hempstead, TX, her daughter Vicki Ann Petty Kygar and significant other Robert Weatherall, Ft. Worth, TX, and her companion dog, Mei Ling.

A memorial service will be held at the family ranch.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Nelda's care givers: Lita Sierra, Cindy Deiringer, Lori Day and Ivy Jo Nye and everyone at The Heritage Tomball Assisted Living center and Compassionate Care Hospice.

If you are interested in making a tribute to celebrate Nelda's life, the family suggests making a donation to: Boys & Girls Country, TOMAGWA HealthCare Ministries, your local SPCA or a charity of your choice.

# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We pray God's blessing on your family.  
"Precious in the sight of The Lord is the death of His saints." Psalm 116:15  
We do hope this brings peace to your hearts.

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**Ben & Margaret Johnson** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Ben & Margaret Johnson lit a candle in memory of Nelda Petty



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“ I am sorry for your loss. May family and friends give you the comfort you need. Also look to God's Word for comfort. Psalm 46:1 says:  
"God is our refuge and strength, a help that is readily found in times of distress."

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**Cheryl D.** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM