



Thelma Burnett

December 11, 2021

Thelma Gene (McCord) Burnett departed this world on the same date that she arrived, surely a sign that her time in this world was complete.

Thelma was born in Randolph, Texas on a Sunday, the only child of James Orval McCord and Opal Lorene Biggerstaff McCord. Because her father passed away when she was eighteen months old, Thelma and her mother returned to the family farm where Thelma grew up alongside the three youngest of ten Biggerstaff children. She kept up with all her aunts, uncles, and cousins and became the unofficial family historian and touchstone.

Thelma had two lifelong interests: antiquing and playing bridge. She enjoyed nothing better than the “hunt” for undiscovered treasures. After her husband retired, they traveled across the country to search for art glass and pottery. Thelma was a meticulous bookkeeper and enjoyed selling almost as much as finding. She also pursued bridge all her adult life, reading books, practicing strategy, and playing socially and competitively whenever she got the chance. She even attempted to teach her daughters and son-in-law the basics of the game, with mixed success.

Thelma took great joy being a grandmother, tirelessly attending as many recitals, games, concerts, and graduations that she could. Thelma learned self-reliance from both her mother and grandmother, usually refraining from

seeking help from her friends and church family. However, she herself quietly served others and regularly sent cards of encouragement and visited shut-ins.

Thelma remained strong and independent until her last two months; she drove herself to church just two days before her first hospital visit, so she and her family had little warning that her body had reached its limits. Her family will miss her presence, love, and guidance terribly. But at the same time we rejoice that her struggle in this life is at an end.

In addition to her parents, Thelma is predeceased by her husband Hal Alexander Burnett, Jr. She is survived by her daughter Gail Godlewski and her husband Robert; her daughter Nancy Yanochik and her husband Michael; granddaughter Allison Sellner and her husband Michael; granddaughter Caitlin Godlewski; grandsons Reagan Godlewski, Alexander Yanochik and Luke Yanochik, and great grandson Cayden Trevino.

“He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.” -Revelation 21:4

The Addison family and staff of Magnolia Funeral Home extend condolences to Thelma's family during this difficult time.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

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Magnolia Funeral Home - December 28, 2021 at 11:34 AM

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“ *Mark, Lana, and Jared Chauvin purchased the Heart's Companion Bouquet for the family of Thelma Burnett.*



Mark, Lana, and Jared Chauvin - December 18, 2021 at 03:03 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thelma Burnett.*



December 16, 2021 at 01:52 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Thelma Burnett.*



December 16, 2021 at 11:00 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Thelma Burnett.*



December 16, 2021 at 12:18 AM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Thelma Burnett.*



December 15, 2021 at 10:56 PM