



Ruby Isbell Carlisle

September 22, 1924 - January 18, 2016

Ruby Isbell Carlisle, 91, of Houston, passed away peacefully on Monday, January 18, 2016 after a gallant battle with lung cancer and cardiac issues. Ruby had a warm, loving personality and extended kindness to every person she met. She loved people and enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She was hardworking and selfless, always putting others' needs ahead of her own. She worked as a Harris County J.P. court clerk for 40 years. She took great pride in her work and her professional nature was respected by all. She was very active in her church, volunteering her time to recording accounts and providing transportation to those in need. Everyone who knew her loved her. Ruby was born on September 22, 1924 to Lillie Denman Isbell and Clarence Isbell in Iola, Texas. She was preceded in death by her siblings Virgie McMahan, Grover Isbell, Olan Isbell, Bernice Cates, Cecil Isbell, Roy Isbell, James Isbell, Joanne Hollins. She is survived by her daughter, Diane Nelson of Oak Ridge, Tennessee, sister-in-law Hertha Isbell, grandson Maury Nelson and his wife Pam, great-grandchildren Miles and Alex, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Niece Tina McDougald, her husband Randy, great-nephew Micky McDougald and great-great niece Brooke held a special place in Ruby's heart. Tina was like a second daughter to Ruby and took her to hundreds of doctor appointments over the past 16 years during her fight with cancer.

Ruby's family wishes to extend their appreciation to the excellent medical teams including Dr. Komaki of M.D. Anderson and her cardiologist of 20 years, Dr. Sayed Feghali.

A celebration of life will be held at Willowhole Chapel on Wednesday, January 20 at 11AM, burial will follow at Willowhole Cemetery, brother Randy Fowler will officiate. Visitation and lunch will follow burial at The Log Cabin Restaurant (3 miles South of Iola) on Highway 39. Pallbearers: Clint Isbell, Ricky Isbell, Mike Isbell, Robert Henry, Brian McMahan, and Jimmy Whitlee.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made in her memory to M.D. Anderson.

Cemetery Details

Willowhole

North Zulch, TX

Tribute Wall

DC

“ So sorry to hear of your loss Diane.



David Campbell - January 25, 2016 at 11:10 AM

NH

“ Nancy Lain Highfill lit a candle in memory of Ruby Isbell Carlisle



nancy lain highfill - January 21, 2016 at 01:33 PM

NH

Ruby was a dear and elegant lady!

nancy lain highfill - January 21, 2016 at 01:34 PM

RH

“ Robbie Henry lit a candle in memory of Ruby Isbell Carlisle



Robbie Henry - January 19, 2016 at 01:18 PM

RH

“ It was an honor to know, and experience the joy of Ruby. Ruby was like a second Mother to me, and the best friend of my Mother Louise Henry. I have fond memories of Ruby and her always pleasant disposition towards others.

Since an adolescent, I clearly recall receiving a Christmas and Birthday card from Ruby - she never missed a year. It was a simple gesture but a reminder of her thoughtful and caring personality.

Ruby will be remembered and missed by many - she truly was a one of a kind who modeled what it means to be gracious, compassionate and caring to others.

I learned a lot from Ruby - her profound display of grace and balance are qualities which will not be forgotten.

We love you Ruby, and will see you again.

Robbie Henry

Robbie Henry - January 19, 2016 at 12:53 PM



Melissa Crain

“ Melissa Crain lit a candle in memory of Ruby Isbell Carlisle



Melissa Crain - January 19, 2016 at 09:08 AM