



Marion Joyce Briggs

January 6, 1928 - June 28, 2020

Marion Joyce Howie Briggs passed away June 28, 2020 at the age of 92. She was born on January 6, 1928 in the College Mound Community where her family were the early settlers in the 1800's. Her parents were Ollie Washington Howie and Lilli Mae Monk Howie. Marion attended the College Mound School for her first seven years. During her junior and senior years of high school, Marion worked at the Alexander and Friddell Hospitals as a junior nurse's aide. She graduated from Terrell high School in 1945. Marion attended the State College for Women the following year and later attended classes at Henderson County Junior College. She attended art classes with local artists Mary Beasley, Merita Harper, and Davis Griffith-Cox.

Marion worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for 10 years, starting as a switchboard operator. She later transferred into the business office where she was a service representative. After raising the children, Marion returned to work, keeping the books for the Texaco Distributorship and Wrecker Service.

Marion was one of the founding members of the Terrell Alliance for Education and the Arts as well as the Northeast Texas Fine Arts Alliance. She was also active in the Kaufman County Art League. Marion was a talented seamstress, making many of her own and her daughter's clothes.

Marion joined the College Mound Methodist Church at the age of 12. She later transferred her membership to the First United Methodist Church in Terrell where she served as a teacher for a number of years in the advanced class.

Marion married John R. Briggs, Jr. on June 14, 1953. To this union, three children were born: John R. Briggs, III, Marianne Briggs, and Margaret Briggs. She is preceded in death by her husband, her parents, a sister, Nauriece Vaughan and her husband, Clayton; a brother, Billy Clayton Howie and his wife Billie; brother in law and sister in law, Albert Lee and Bettye Meyers; and sixty-two first cousins.

Marion is survived by her children, grandchildren: Jared Briggs and wife Anna and Dawn Eskridge and husband Ransom; great grandchildren: Jennifer, John, and Clayton Briggs, and Rivers and Kitty Eskridge.

There will be a private inurnment scheduled for Marion at Oakland Memorial Park.

In Lieu of flowers Marion's family has asked that donations be made to the First United Methodist Church of Terrell or College Mound United Methodist Church in Terrell.

Cemetery Details

Oakland Memorial Park

1000 W. Moore Avenue
Terrell, TX 75160

Tribute Wall



“ Marion Joyce Briggs

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ Marianne we're sorry to hear of your mom's passing, but we're proud she's home with her loved ones and her Lord. You have always been so sweet and kind, and we're thankful you're our friend. May you and all your family find peace in the wonderful memories of your mom. Hope to see you soon. Be safe our friend.
Chris and Karla Ricketts

Chris Ricketts - July 16, 2020 at 01:00 AM



“ SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS MY COUSINS, THE BEADLE FAMILY SHARES YOUR PAIN. ALWAYS HERE FOR YA'LL, JOHN,MARIANNE,MARGARET, WE LOVE YOU ALL.

kenneth d beadle/ - July 11, 2020 at 10:43 AM



“ Oh, Maryanne, I am so sorry. I enjoyed your Mom so much when she attended things with our office. You and your entire family have my sympathy. Love, Daphne

Daphne Adams - July 11, 2020 at 03:33 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Marion's passing. She was a lovely lady. I send my condolences. Jean Ann Ables-Flatt and Horace Flatt.

Jean Ann Ables-Flatt - July 01, 2020 at 12:57 PM

JR

“ I will always remember Mrs. Briggs for her gracious nature and caring regard for all. My sympathies to you, John, Marianne, and Margaret.

James Reed

James Reed - June 30, 2020 at 12:23 PM

ML

“ Marion was a true lady—gentle, soft-spoken, caring, calm. She was a perfect First Lady for Terrell!

Marty and Janet Lumpkin

Marty and Janet Lumpkin - June 30, 2020 at 09:55 AM

RC

“ So sorry for your loss. John, Mariana, & Margaret.

Rita Craven - June 30, 2020 at 09:54 AM

SR

“ We were so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a grand lady. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Sandra and Loren Riggins

Sandra G Riggins - June 30, 2020 at 08:53 AM

CS

“ *Marianne, John, Margaret, Jody, Jared, Dawn and family: Was so sorry to hear about your Mother, grandmother's passing. She was the true meaning of a virtuous woman. Please know that you are in our thoughts & prayers. May God bless each of you in the days ahead. We love each of you! Karo & Wilson Stewart*

carolyn (Karo) stewart - June 29, 2020 at 10:21 PM

CH

“ *So sorry for your loss. Thoughts go out to Margaret, Marianne and John. I know she will be missed.*

Cindy & Rick Hunter - June 29, 2020 at 07:42 PM

RJ

“ *John, Marianne, and Margret Sorry for your loss. I know she will be missed by the family. I'm glad I got to know her.*

Rhitt

Rhitt Jackson - June 29, 2020 at 02:43 PM

DT

Dolly and myself had the privilege of living next to the Briggs's family for 12 years She was always a lady in all ways. Heavens gain is our loss. God bless Marianne and all this special family.

Doug & Dolly Turner - June 29, 2020 at 07:52 PM

EA

Thinking of you all in this sad time. She was a Grand Lady and I'll remember being around her at the Fire Department gathering. Love from my family.

Elaine Wooldridge and Kim, Kristen, and - July 01, 2020 at 10:10 AM