



## Shirley Ann Kuban

September 25, 1946 - September 12, 2025

Shirley Ann Kuban, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, went to be with her Lord on September 12, 2025. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lula Mae Samples and Charlie E. Samples, two grandchildren, Edgar Able Kuban and Eleanor Grace Ellis, as well as her younger sister, Jane Smith.

Shirley leaves behind her beloved husband of 61 years, William (Pete) Kuban Jr.; her son, Matt Kuban and his wife, Dallas Kuban; her son Mark Kuban and his wife, Laura Jane Kuban; her daughter, Laura Ellis and husband, Sammy Ellis; grandchildren, Alexander Kuban and wife, Lindsey Kuban; Leah Becker-Kuban and husband, Chance Becker-Kuban; Willan Kuban; Camden Ellis, Tatum Ellis, and Caelum Ellis, as well as two great grandsons, William and Deacon Kuban. She also leaves behind her siblings, Mary "Libby" Daniel, Charlie E. Samples Jr., and Sherry Torres along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Shirley and William married, July 31, 1964, in Terrell, Texas at her parent's home.

Shirley placed her trust in Jesus at the age of 12 years old and has faithfully loved and served Him and others her whole life. She lived her life with a gentle kindness and sweet spirit at home, at work, and with whoever she encountered. She faithfully served her family and was selfless in her actions.

Her service to others was based in a deep love for Christ and flowed into her family and others. Shirley loved to meet the needs of others and faithfully made the lives of her husband, children, and grandchildren better. She was an incredible wife and mother who treasured her time home, as she tended the hearts of her children and husband well. She also worked at the Kaufman-Van Zandt Baptist Associational Office as secretary for more than 30 years. She loved time with her grandchildren, who brought her great joy. She enjoyed babies and children and served many years in the church at Grace Temple Baptist Church and Emmanuel Baptist Church. She loved serving in Awanas and sharing Jesus' love.

While rearing her children, she also obtained her associate's degree in science. She loved to read, do yard work, vacation with family, attend E-Terrell concerts and anything with her grandkids. William, their children, and their grandchildren were her pride and joy, as she laid down her life in love and service. "Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also; and he praises her; Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all...A woman who fears the LORD is to be praised." Proverbs 31:28-30

Shirley leaves a rich and godly legacy behind, and our hearts ache profoundly with her loss, yet we hope in her faithful God she loved and ultimately treasured most.

"Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful...Enter into the joy of your lord." Matthew 25:23

Funeral service will be 11:00 a.m. Tuesday September 16, 2025 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel with interment to follow at Oakland Memorial Park. Family will receive friends 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday September 15, 2025 at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakland Memorial Park

1000 W. Moore Avenue  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **15**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations  
642 N Rockwall Avenue  
Terrell, TX 75160  
(972) 524-0881  
<https://www.maxslaytonfunerals.com>

## Funeral Service

SEP **16**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel  
642 N. Rockwall Ave.  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Tribute Wall



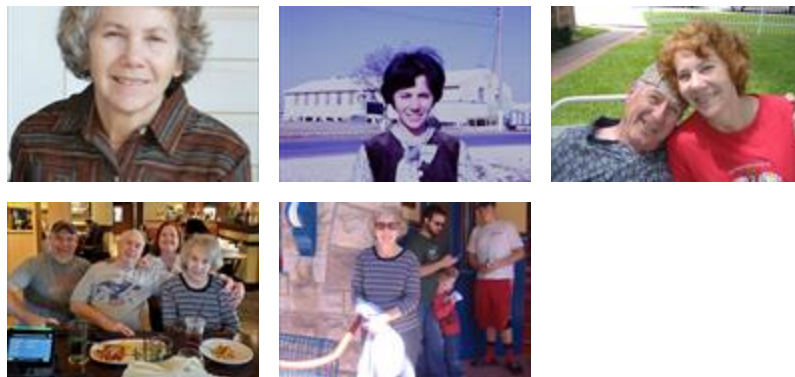
“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Shirley Ann Kuban*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - September 16, 2025 at 02:19 PM



“ *200 files added to the album Memories Album*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - October 02, 2025 at 12:33 PM



“ *Shirley was such a wonderful mother to Matt, Mark, and Laura, as well as the loving wife of William. When I think of her, I remember her always taking care of her kiddos and sharing her love. We are praying for all of you that you will be comforted by knowing she is healed and resting in the arms of Jesus.*  
*Debra and Marty Schumaker*

Debra Schumaker - September 15, 2025 at 09:39 PM

WB

“ I remember Shirley as one of the sweetest and kindest persons I have ever known.  
As I remember from our school days she was very smart and well loved by her classmates.  
To William and the family my heart and prayers go out to comfort you during this difficult time.  
Respectfully,  
Bruce Wood

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**Wood Bruce** - September 15, 2025 at 09:18 PM

JC

“ Joan C. purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.



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**Joan C.** - September 15, 2025 at 03:39 PM

CS

“ Carolyn(Karo) Stewart lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Kuban



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**Carolyn(Karo) Stewart** - September 15, 2025 at 01:45 PM

FG

“ From the TRPC Wednesday Morning Group purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.



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**From the TRPC Wednesday Morning Group** - September 15, 2025 at 01:06 PM

BT

“ It was an honor an pleasure to assist in the care of Shirley. Pete you have such a wonderful family whom accepted me as part of your family during that time. I have love for each of you and pray for your comfort during this difficult time. 🙏

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**Brenda Tisdale** - September 15, 2025 at 12:22 PM

TK

“ So grateful for the legacy of Shirley, that we see coming through her daughter Laura and her family. Grateful that Shirley invested in her children and others, so that her memory and legacy continue!

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**Tammy Kleine** - September 15, 2025 at 10:00 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Shirley Ann Kuban.

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September 14, 2025 at 08:56 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.*



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September 14, 2025 at 08:56 PM



“ *William praying for your family. Frank and Elaine Kasper* ❤️❤️🙏🙏



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**Elaine Kasper** - September 14, 2025 at 06:30 PM



“ *The Harper Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.*



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**The Harper Family** - September 14, 2025 at 05:31 PM



“ *James and Maureen Whitt purchased the Yellow Tulips and Purple Iris (Silk Cemetery Flowers) for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.*



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**James and Maureen Whitt** - September 14, 2025 at 01:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Shirley Ann Kuban.

September 14, 2025 at 08:28 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.



September 14, 2025 at 08:28 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Shirley Ann Kuban.

September 14, 2025 at 02:07 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.



September 14, 2025 at 02:07 AM



“ Love, Sam & Erin Clark purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.



Love, Sam & Erin Clark - September 14, 2025 at 12:11 AM

KB

“ William , I am so sorry for your loss. Kennneth Boyd

Kenneth Boyd - September 13, 2025 at 11:46 PM

MK

Thanks Kenneth

Matt Kuban - September 18, 2025 at 12:35 PM

SM

“ I always saw Shirley as simply a lady. I never heard her say anything bad about anyone. She was sweet, caring and a wonderful friend. She will be remembered and missed.

Sandy Mahaffey - September 13, 2025 at 10:50 PM

MK

Thanks Sandy

Matt Kuban - September 18, 2025 at 12:34 PM

LB

“ To William and all of Shirley’s family, I am so sorry for your loss. I loved Shirley and enjoyed our school years together. After not seeing y’all for a long time, I was fortunate to be sitting next to her at one of the concerts in Terrell a couple of years ago. She was as pretty and sweet as ever. When my husband A. B. passed away twelve years ago, both your words of comfort meant so much to me, and now my thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time, I know Shirley will be missed by so many. Linda Bodin Bankston

Linda Bankston - September 13, 2025 at 01:43 PM

MK

*Thanks Linda*

**Matt Kuban** - September 18, 2025 at 12:34 PM

FF

“ *Frank Farmer lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Kuban*



**Frank Farmer** - September 13, 2025 at 11:03 AM

MK

*Thanks Frank*

**Matt Kuban** - September 18, 2025 at 12:34 PM

DB

“ *Debbie Bacon lit a candle in memory of Shirley Ann Kuban*



**Debbie Bacon** - September 13, 2025 at 10:17 AM

MK

*Thank Debbie*

**Matt Kuban** - September 18, 2025 at 10:42 AM

BS

“ *Brad and Toni Smith purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Shirley Ann Kuban.*



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**Brad and Toni Smith** - September 13, 2025 at 09:54 AM