



Joy Lucille Vandiver

November 6, 1933 - December 2, 2022

Joy Lucille Vandiver, 89, of Tyler, TX, (formerly Hideaway, TX), went to be with her Lord and Savior peacefully on December 2, 2022.

Joy was born in Edinburg, TX, November 6, 1933, to Lucille and Wesley Howard Wiley. She lived in Weslaco, TX, during her childhood and graduated from Weslaco High in 1952. She attended Southwest Texas State University and then married her high school sweetheart, James W. Swinnea, Jr. on June 17, 1955. After Jim served in the military, they relocated to Orlando, Florida, where Joy was employed by the U. S. Agricultural Research Department. While in Florida, Joy gave birth to two sons, James Mark and Jon Robert. They then moved back to Texas and resided in Galveston, where Joy worked for U. S. Public Health Hospital. In 1978, Joy moved to Hideaway, along with her son, Mark, and worked for the U. S. Courts in Tyler, TX for 15 years until she retired in 1994. Joy met and married William R. Vandiver in April 1980. Joy lived out her namesake, as she was full of joy, love and kindness. She loved Jesus with all her heart.

She was a member of Hideaway Lake Community Church. She studied the Bible constantly, taught Sunday School and lead Bible study groups all her life. She loved singing in the church choir and had a beautiful voice. She enjoyed reading and being with her family. She loved her family and friends dearly, and always had kind words to say.

Joy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband William, her son Jon and sister Mary Heptig.

She is survived by her son, Mark and wife, Dawn, of Tyler; her grandsons Will and wife, Claire, of Fort Worth, TX; Calvin and fiancé, Jessica Neill, of Tyler; her brothers, Howard Wiley of Austin, TX, Jon Wiley of Hideaway; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A service honoring Joy will be held at Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home in Lindale, TX, with the Rev. Paul Garrison officiating on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 2:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the Jon Robert Swinnea Endowment Scholarship in the School of Medicine at UTMB, 301 University Blvd., Galveston, TX 77555.

Cemetery Details

Lee Cemetery

6198 N. State Hwy 37
Winnsboro, TX 75494

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 14. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ Joy Lucille Vandiver

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ Joy Lucille Vandiver

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM



“ Richard, Brenda & Johnny Bland purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Joy Lucille Vandiver.



Richard, Brenda & Johnny Bland - December 13, 2022 at 03:57 PM



“ Jeff, Marilyn, Austin & Justin Baker purchased the *Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Joy Lucille Vandiver.



Jeff, Marilyn, Austin & Justin Baker - December 12, 2022 at 12:21 PM

MR

“ We met Joy when we moved to East Texas in 1983. She was married to our friend Bill. Bill had a very serious surgery about 30 years ago and we were so impressed with the loving care she took of Bill until he passed away. When we moved Mike's mom to Lindale in the late 90's Joy so graciously encouraged her to join the Sunday school class she taught. Joy used to even pick her up on Sunday mornings for church. Always so caring and thoughtful. We were blessed that our lives intersected Joy's. Our best to Mark and Dawn.
Mike and Dinah Ragsdale

Mike and Dinah Ragsdale - December 10, 2022 at 09:36 PM

JM

“ My dear friend Joy. What a Blessing in my life We were in a prayer group many years. Joy loved To read She gave me a Bible 25 years ago, Still read it every day. We love you . Rest In Peace. She also led Great Bible studies. Till we meet again. 🙏💕💕

Joan Mullen - December 06, 2022 at 04:46 PM