



## Mary Margaret Lemley

January 9, 1939 - June 27, 2025

Funeral services for Mary Margaret Lemley, age 86 of New Harmony, are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 3, 2025, at the First Baptist Church of Lindale with Dr. Tom Buck officiating. Family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow at New Harmony Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family has asked that contributions be made to the First Baptist Church of Lindale or to Hospice of East Texas.

Mary passed away Friday, June 27, 2025, in Tyler. She was born on January 9, 1939, in Turnertown, Texas, to the late Burley Roy and Lillian Augusta (Tuter) Johnson. Mary has lived in New Harmony for over 20 years and was previously a longtime resident of Blossom, Texas. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lindale where she enjoyed getting together with other senior members and playing games and singing in the choir.

Mary graduated from Gaston High School in Joinerville, Texas, in 1957. She married George Lemley in 1960 while attending the University of Mary Hardin Baylor. Mary graduated from Mary Hardin-Baylor in 1961 with a teaching degree in PE and English. She was a retired English Teacher and taught at North Lamar High School in Paris, Texas, and Detroit High School in Detroit, Texas, while living in Blossom, Texas. In her spare time Mary enjoyed playing golf, reading, working in her yard and flowerbeds, and spending time with her beloved family and grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, George W. Lemley and sister, Janet Elliott.

Mary is survived by her children, Cathy Gharis and husband, Bob of Garland

and Jimmy Lemley and wife, Amanda of Argyle; sister, Betty Joyce Speir and husband, Wayne of New Harmony; grandchildren, Joshua Gharis, Jonathan Gharis and wife, Shelsea, Jacob Gharis and wife, Patty, and Joseph Gharis and wife, Victoria, and Tucker, Hannah, and Hadley Lemley; great grandchild, Bella Gharis; and numerous other loving family members and friends. Serving as pallbearers will be Joshua, Jonathan, Jacob, and Joseph Gharis, Michael Speir, and David Elliott. Honorary pallbearer is Tucker Lemley.

# Cemetery Details

## New Harmony Cemetery

9920 FM 724  
Tyler, TX 75704

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 3. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Lindale First Baptist Church  
105 Hubbard Street  
Lindale, TX 75771

## Funeral Service

JUL 3. 1:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Margaret Lemley*



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**Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home** - June 30, 2025 at 10:35 PM

KH

“ *Kurt Hunt lit a candle in memory of Mary Lemley*



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**Kurt Hunt** - July 04, 2025 at 08:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Margaret Lemley.*



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July 02, 2025 at 11:53 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mary Margaret Lemley.*



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July 02, 2025 at 11:00 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mary Margaret Lemley.

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July 02, 2025 at 11:00 AM



“ *Loved this lady and her family very much and was great neighbors for many years and was very sad when they moved away from us although they moved we still stayed in touch as much as we could !! Mary you will be missed but I know George was waiting for your arrival!! To the family she was one of the best as you know!! May God be with you all in all the days to come !!*

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**Clara & Gene Jackson** - July 01, 2025 at 11:44 PM



“ *Jimmy and Cathy and family we are sorry to hear about Mary. We have a lot of good memories of y'all from First Baptist Blossom. Mary was a sweet lady and good friend. Y'all are in our thoughts and prayers now and the days to come. Love Nancy and Carrie Couch*

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**Carrie Couch** - July 01, 2025 at 04:52 PM

PJ

“ Pam Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mary Lemley



Pam Johnson - July 01, 2025 at 03:07 PM



“ 51 files added to the album Life Tributes



Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home - June 30, 2025 at 10:26 PM

TB

“ Texas Regional Bank purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary Margaret Lemley.



Texas Regional Bank - June 30, 2025 at 05:50 PM

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“ Texas Regional Bank planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Margaret Lemley.

Texas Regional Bank - June 30, 2025 at 05:50 PM

CC

“ Cathy and Jimmy and family, we are so sorry to hear about Mary. We have lots of good memories from First Baptist Blossom of y'all . Mary was a sweet lady and good friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with you now and the days to come. Love , Nancy and Carrie Couch

Carrie Couch - June 30, 2025 at 02:54 PM

CC

“ Jimmy and Cathy and family, we are so sorry to hear about Mary. Nothing but good memories of y'all being at First Baptist church Blossom. Such a sweet lady. Our thoughts and prayers are with you now and the days to come. Love ,Nancy and Carrie Couch

Carrie Couch - June 29, 2025 at 10:48 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Margaret Lemley.



June 29, 2025 at 10:21 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mary Margaret Lemley.

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June 29, 2025 at 10:21 PM



“ Karen Damon lit a candle in memory of Mary Lemley



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**Karen Damon** - June 27, 2025 at 06:08 PM