



Merle Switzer

February 13, 1931 - April 26, 2023

Merleene “Merle” Honeycutt Switzer, age 92, formerly of Grand Prairie, TX, went to be with her Savior on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, in Lindale, Texas.

Merle was born on February 13, 1931, to Odist and Dellie Honeycutt, the youngest of 6 children, in Temple, Tx, where she grew up and attended school. Her father passed away when she was 5yo and she began working to help provide for her family at the age of 12. Later, she and her mother moved to Grand Prairie, Tx to help care for her older siblings children.

At the age of 18, Merle began working at Miller’s Drug store, where she met her future husband, Howard “Ozell” Switzer. She first got his attention by spilling a milkshake on him and 6 weeks later they eloped. They were married on October 20, 1949, in Oak Cliff, Tx.

The couple made their home in Grand Prairie, where Ozell began working at what was then LTV Aeronautics. Merle was a homemaker after they started their family of 2 daughters. During that time, Merle began attending Lakeside Baptist Church with her daughter and as a result her family came to know Christ. They were faithful members there for many years and later she and Ozell were faithful members of Baptist Temple.

After Ozell retired, the couple enjoyed traveling in their RV, camping and fishing the many lakes of Texas and Oklahoma. They also enjoyed tending to their large vegetable garden and fruit trees and canning the fruits of their labor.

Merle was a devoted wife, mother and Nanny, a “fusser” by nature and loved to take care of people. She was a wonderful cook and no one that visited her home would leave hungry. She was famous for her giblet gravy and amazing Christmas candies. Merle had two small dogs, Rocket and Jose”, after her husband passed and she spoiled them both rotten. She had a servants heart, always willing to do the tasks that many would not and never complaining. She loved playing dominos and card games with her family and will be remembered for all those good times. Merle also loved music and singing, taught herself how to play the piano and could whistle like a song bird and she was an avid Dallas Cowboys fan.

In 2016, Merle moved to Lindale, Tx to be near her youngest daughter. She is preceded in death by her parents, 3 sisters, 2 brothers and her husband.

Left to cherish her memory daughter, Brenda Morrow and husband, Guy of Grove, OK and daughter, Evette Hancock and husband, Alan of Lindale, TX, 2 grandchildren, Karin Stephens and husband, Blake and John Morrow, and 8 great grandchildren, all of Grove, OK.

A visitation will be at 11am Monday, May 1, 2023 at Baptist Temple Church in Grand Prairie, TX followed by funeral services at noon and burial at Southland Memorial Cemetery.

Donations in Merle’s memory can be made to Baptist Temple, 1921 SW 3rd St., Grand Prairie, TX 75051 or the Alzheimer’s Research Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Old Southland Cemetery

1205 SW 3rd St
Grand Prairie , TX

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Baptist Temple
1921 SW 3rd St.
Grand Prairie , TX

Funeral Service

MAY 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Baptist Temple
1921 SW 3rd St.
Grand Prairie , TX

Burial

MAY 1. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Old Southland Cemetery
1200 Block SW 3rd Street
Grand Prairie , TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Merle Switzer*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



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October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM