



Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo

December 23, 1925 - July 1, 2019

Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo, 93, of Henderson, passed away Monday, July 1, 2019, at Brookdale Henderson Senior Living Center. Her long and beautiful life centered around and infinitely enriched family, friends, church, and community.

Dutch was born the middle of five children to Vernon and Ethel Mays at New Salem on December 23, 1925. She and her siblings, who with their families always remained close, attended the New Salem school and Henderson High School. Following high school graduation in 1942, Dutch lived in Henderson with her Uncle Will and Aunt Hattie Mays and worked downtown at the Citizens National Bank.

In November, 1946, Dutch met Arthur Jackson "Jack" Monzingo, a soon-to-be petroleum engineer with Magnolia Oil Company (later, Mobil Oil). They married one year later and began a life of following the Oil Patch with Mobil, adding three children along the way: Arthur Foster, born in Midland, Texas, in 1952; Cheryl Lynn, born in Salem, Illinois, in 1955; and Vernon Jackson, born in Wichita Falls, Texas, in 1964.

Dutch and Jack settled and lived in Midland from 1970 until Jack's death in November, 2013. A year later, Dutch moved to Henderson to re-connect with family and long-time friends.

Always resilient, personable, and with a fine sense of humor, Dutch made friends wherever she went. She loved the beauty that abounds in life. She had a gift for making people feel appreciated and loved. She repeatedly rose to the challenge of moving to new places, establishing a home, involving her children in school and enrichment activities, and serving the church. She was the kind of mother who made sure each of her children learned a musical instrument, participated in sports, became involved with the life of the Methodist Church, and fulfilled their academic responsibilities. Having learned well, her children did the same with their children, creating a cycle of accomplishment and personal fulfillment that is her legacy.

Dutch was involved with church life wherever she lived. She served as President of the United Methodist Women at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Midland. She chaperoned many youth trips throughout the years, demonstrating to her children the importance of community and spiritual life.

Dutch and Jack moved to an assisted living facility in Midland in 2008, where Dutch became a Wii Bowling star and regularly worked out to maintain physical strength. She had many health setbacks but her faith, devotion to family, will to live, and commitment to physical therapy served her well. She lived to see her children graduate from college, marry, work, and have children and her grandchildren to graduate and embark upon their futures.

Dutch was preceded in death by husband of 66 years, Arthur Jackson Monzingo, brother James William Mays, and sister Rebecca Risinger. She is survived by son Arthur Foster Monzingo and wife Christine of Austin; daughter Cheryl Lynn Adams and husband John Thomas Adams of Henderson; son Vernon Jackson Monzingo of Dallas; sister Mary Justice of Henderson; sister Ann Hollingsworth of Pine Bluff, Arkansas; and six grandchildren: Jeffrey Monzingo; Douglas Duncan; Gregory Duncan; Andra Adams and husband Christian Johnson; Madison Monzingo; and William Jackson Monzingo.

Visitation will be from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 7, 2019, at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home, 1414 S. Main St., Henderson. Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, July 8, 2019 at the Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Debbie Tipps officiating. Interment will follow at Lakewood Memorial Park under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home, Henderson.

The family is deeply grateful to the caregivers and staff of Brookdale Senior Living Center for the outstanding care they gave Dutch.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Dutch to either First United Methodist Church, 204 N. Marshall, Henderson, TX 75652; St Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas Ave., Midland, TX 79701; or a charity of your choice.

Condolences may be made at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery

Events

Lakewood Memorial Park
Hwy 64 and 323
Henderson, TX, 75652

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Visitation

03:00PM - 05:00PM

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 South Main Street, Henderson, TX, US, 75654

JUL
8

Service

10:00AM

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 South Main Street, Henderson, TX, US, 75654

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - July 06, 2019 at 12:07 PM



“ Really nice video of Dutch's life. She was very dedicated to her family. Our family was blessed by her love, too.

Susie Dixon - July 07, 2019 at 01:58 AM



“ Dutch was among the finest women I have ever been blessed to know! I well remember all the times she would make fried bologna sandwiches for Cheryl and me, as we would all watch "As the World Turns"...Dutch always treated me as though I was "family", particularly after my daddy's passing in 1967.

In more recent years, my husband (Randy) and I would often eat lunch at Luby's. Without fail, we would see Dutch and Jack...which always provided wonderful little chats!

My mother also loved Dutch and Jack. I was so blessed that she lived with us the final four years of her earthly life. The final time we got to see Dutch and Jack was when Alice and Ernie Frazier were in town; we met them all at Manor Park. What a wonderful treat that was for Mother and me!

My love and prayers go out to Cheryl, Art and Vernon. May our Lord and Savior comfort you as only He can...

Judy Shoopman Overbeck - July 09, 2019 at 11:07 AM



“ Jean Tate lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Jean Tate - July 08, 2019 at 03:10 PM



“ Bruce Tate lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Bruce Tate - July 08, 2019 at 03:10 PM



“ I regret the loss of your mother. Jack was my supervisor for 12 years. He was always serious and fair. One of my best bosses. I remember his telling of Cheryl's first night in charge of a pipeline. There was a leak and she shut the line in. Following procedure as she was trained. Jack was proud of her. Arthur Boice

I am sorry to hear the loss of your mother. My parents (Bill and Ruth Knowles) attended St. Luke's Methodist Church at the same time Dutch and Jack were there. They spoke highly of both.

Lynda Knowles Boice

Lynda and Arthur Boice - July 08, 2019 at 11:47 AM



“ Prayers for all the family- wow, how I loved Mrs. Dutch!!! It was truly an absolute honor to serve her. So many people come and go and I loved them all But she and I had a special bond that I just cannot describe. She was a hoot and loved life and her family!! I will really miss her. Christy

Christy Brown - July 07, 2019 at 10:03 PM



“ My mom, Billye Neuhardt asked me to respond for her about Dutch cause she does not have internet. And I (Kerry) and Katrina also wanted to express our prayers for Dutch's family. Mom said she appreciated so much what great neighbors they were to her especially after my father died. They helped her out a lot. I remember often chatting with her while outside when growing up. Cheryl thinking of you and your father and siblings. Prayers and peace to all of you for your loss.

Billye, Kerry and Katrina Neuharder

Kerry Neuhardt - July 06, 2019 at 12:35 PM



“ 158 files added to the album LifeTributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - July 06, 2019 at 10:57 AM



“ Worked with Cheryl at Shell Pipeline. We actually went to work there at the same time. So enjoyed her shared memories of her mother. You all are in my prayers.

Lela McNary - July 05, 2019 at 02:40 PM



“ Prayers of comfort and peace for your family! I enjoyed know Ms. Dutch, she was a joy to visit with and a beautiful soul. I will miss her. So thankful to know that I will see her again one day!



Bobbie Sue Dumas - July 05, 2019 at 09:20 AM



“ Dutch was friends with my cousins while growing up in Henderson. Walter and I knew Jack and Dutch in Hobbs, NM and Midland, TX. Wonderful folks. I remember Dutch was always active in the Methodist Church in Hobbs and Midland. I believe she enjoyed living in Henderson the past several years. I regret I cannot be there for her service.

Allene Kleweno

allene kleweno - July 04, 2019 at 06:20 PM



“ Prayers for the Monzingo family. Jan Edwards



Jan Edwards - July 04, 2019 at 12:40 AM



“ Peggy Jones Keeling lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Peggy Jones Keeling - July 02, 2019 at 10:09 PM



“ Debra Nichols lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Debra Nichols - July 02, 2019 at 02:18 PM



“ Brenda Lee lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Brenda Lee - July 02, 2019 at 11:50 AM



“ Love and condolences to Art and Christine and all the family.



Gail Dalrymple - July 02, 2019 at 09:13 AM



“ Mrs. Monzingo was in the Sunday School class I teach at Brookdale and was such a lively and contributing member. She was always so welcoming, warm, and friendly. I will miss her greatly.

Cathy Hooper

Cathy Hooper - July 02, 2019 at 09:02 AM



“ Kitty Townes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Kitty Townes - July 01, 2019 at 10:13 PM



“ Kathy Long Clark lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Kathy Long Clark - July 01, 2019 at 10:08 PM



“ Jill & Dennis Hegemier lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Jill & Dennis Hegemier - July 01, 2019 at 10:07 PM



“ Art, Vernon, and Cheryl, thank you for sharing your sweet momma with us at Brookdale! I loved her dearly. She was never seen without a smile and/or making one of us laugh! She'll be missed!

Rachel Dessecker - July 01, 2019 at 09:42 PM



“ So sweet and kind to everyone, she will be greatly missed, such an honor to have known her these past 2 years.



Lucy Harman - July 01, 2019 at 08:45 PM



“ Donna Dorsey-Aaron lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Donna Dorsey-Aaron - July 01, 2019 at 06:21 PM



“ Rick Sparks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bennie "Dutch" Mays Monzingo



Rick Sparks - July 01, 2019 at 05:18 PM



“ Dutch was like a second mother to me and I loved being around her. We grew closer as the years passed and I will miss her dearly. The Fraziers and the Monzingos have been close friends since the 1950's and had so many good times together. Love that family!

Carol Frazier Holmes

Carol Holmes - July 01, 2019 at 05:01 PM



“ Carol I remember that...thinking of you and your family

Kerry Neuhardt - July 06, 2019 at 12:38 PM