



Mrs. Barbara Harris Read

October 26, 1936 - November 9, 2020

Graveside services for Mrs. Barbara Harris Read, 84, of Longview, formerly of Henderson, will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 14, 2020, at Craig Cemetery with Dr. Raul Benitez officiating. Interment will follow under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 1 - 2 p.m. on Saturday, at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

Mrs. Read passed from this life on November 9, 2020, at Arabella of Longview. She was born October 26, 1936, in Henderson to the late Bryan and Esther (Craig) Harris and lived most all of her life in Rusk County. Barbara graduated from Henderson High School and went on to receive her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Stephen F. Austin State University. She then spent a career in education, retiring as an English professor at Kilgore College. In her spare time and then retirement, Mrs. Read enjoyed traveling and bird watching, and she was a member of the Henderson Women's Forum. Barbara was a long time member of the Henderson Seventh Day Adventist Church where she served as church pianist for nearly 30 years.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years, Wally Read; and a brother, Donald C. Harris.

Survivors include her children, Carol Woerndle and husband George of Red River, New Mexico, and Dr. Jeff Jones and wife Beth of Longview; grandchildren, Daniel Madewell and spouse Julia, Dr. Travis Jones, Rebecca Marsh and husband Patrick, and Caroline Jones and fiancé Matt Stewart; four great-grandchildren; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

Pallbearers will be Dr. Travis Jones, Matt Stewart, Richard Harris, Neil Harris, Paul Harris, and Robert Harris.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Craig Cemetery

PR 3803
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **14**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 S. Main St
Henderson, TX 75654

Graveside

NOV **14**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Craig Cemetery
PR 3803
Henderson, TX 75652

Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - November 13, 2020 at 02:45 PM

TE

“ *Tamara Elliott lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



Tamara Elliott - November 18, 2020 at 10:57 AM

HT

“ *Barbara was a truly beautiful, talented, and gracious lady, and we felt very fortunate to know her while living in Henderson. We spent many happy and entertaining hours with her and Wally and felt that they were such a wonderfully matched couple, who had so much to give to their community and their friends!*

Over the years and geographic distance, we lost contact with them, but we never forgot them and all the kindness they showed us. Now they are reunited in the glory of God- two stars shining from the heavens. May they rest in peace.

*Ken and Hildegard Taylor
University City, TX*

Hildegard Taylor - November 18, 2020 at 10:05 AM

JJ

Thank you so much for your kind comments. I hope you are all doing well. Jeff Jones

Jeff Jones - December 04, 2020 at 09:25 PM

DB

“ *Deborah Bercot lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



deborah bercot - November 16, 2020 at 05:17 AM

PC

“ *Paula Crim lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



Paula Crim - November 14, 2020 at 08:46 AM

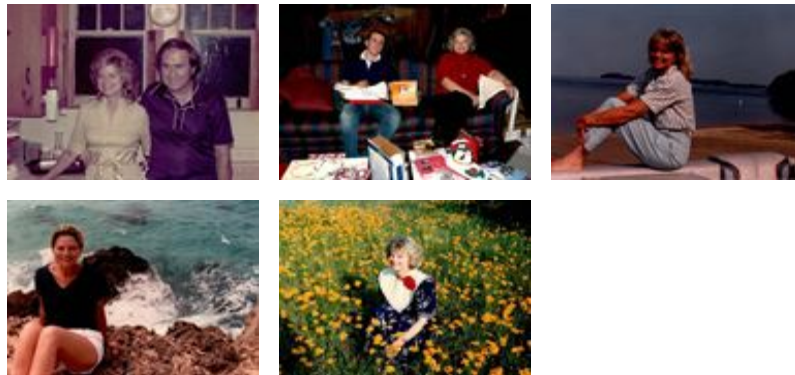
Helen
Pilcher

“ *Caring for Ms Barbara was such a blessing and honor. She was such a beautiful and sweet lady who had a smile that could light up a room. Seeing her smile and eyes light up could always make me smile! She will always be remembered and treasure in my heart!*

Helen Pilcher - November 13, 2020 at 05:15 PM



“ *46 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - November 13, 2020 at 02:32 PM

DR

“ *Remembering the fabulous Thanksgiving reunions in Henderson Barbara. You are much missed.*

Donna Read - November 13, 2020 at 08:39 AM

BH

“ *Brent Hale lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



Brent Hale - November 13, 2020 at 07:55 AM

CB

“ *Colleen Briggs lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



Colleen Briggs - November 12, 2020 at 09:46 PM

TE

“ *So very sorry to hear about your Mom. She was one of the very best teachers I ever had in school. My thoughts and prayers are with you both Carole and Jeff. May God wrap his arms around you in this time of sadness and pain. Rejoice knowing she is in a better place and you will see her again.*

Trish Jones Eckart - November 12, 2020 at 07:48 PM

CW

“ *Barbara Read was a beautiful lady and a beautiful soul. God's comfort to you.*

Cyndi Walker - November 12, 2020 at 11:34 AM

BM

“ *First met Mrs Read when I walked into her Kilgore College English classroom. My first impression was that she was beautiful and so well spoken. She was a great teacher and a great friend to my mother in law, Mary Massengale. She and Wally used to go out to eat with Mary and Van often. I know her mind is back to being brilliant. Prayers for the family during the tough days ahead.*

Becky Massengale - November 11, 2020 at 09:14 PM

MC

“ *Mike & Liz Crye lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



Mike & Liz Crye - November 11, 2020 at 03:25 PM

JB

“ *Jill D. Bassett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



Jill D. Bassett - November 11, 2020 at 03:16 PM

MS

“ *Jeff, I am sorry for your loss. Your mom was a lovely lady and she will be missed.*
Marla Mason

marla schmidt - November 11, 2020 at 01:18 PM

JH

“ *Jeff, She was a beautiful lady...inside and out.*
Joel & Barbara Hale

Joel & Barbara Hale - November 11, 2020 at 11:10 AM

CK

“ *Cathy Green Kovschak lit a candle in memory
of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read*



Cathy Green Kovschak - November 11, 2020 at 10:28 AM

PP

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. Terry and
Pamela (Billingsley) Pyeatt*

pamela billingsley pyeatt - November 10, 2020 at 09:57 PM

SC

“ *Suzanne Cross lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Barbara Harris Read*



Suzanne Cross - November 10, 2020 at 09:56 PM

DA

“ Donna J Aaron lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Harris Read



Donna J Aaron - November 10, 2020 at 09:43 PM

Su Layne

“ There are so many sweet memories of Barbara and Wally. I used to tease Barbara often because the only time I ever got in trouble in school was at KC in her summer English class. I was talking to my Chi O sister and I heard “ Su Layne?”. I turned around with a red face and laughed. That’s what happens when your cousin just happens to know it’s genetic and she knows your name 😊. I know she is laughing with my mom and her brother over all the trouble they got into in the Harris farm. I’m sure there is a lot of piano playing, guitar picking, sax playing, fiddling, and singing with the Harris crew. I’m sure Wally chiming in on trumpet! Keeping all the happy memories! ❤️ To all!

Su Layne - November 10, 2020 at 09:25 PM

ML

“ Blessed to have been a caregiver to this amazing lady for the past year.. she touched my heart like no other. I love and miss you SO much my sweet friend! I’ll never forget you.



Melissa Littlejohn - November 10, 2020 at 07:06 PM

HJ

“ Prayers going up to the family right now!
I took care of Mrs. Barbara at Arabella and
she was always so sweet! She will be missed
dearly.



Hannah Jordan - November 10, 2020 at 07:00 PM

CL

“ In loving memory of Barbara, our family is
grateful for her presence in our lives.



Cheri and Michael Long - November 10, 2020 at 05:14 PM

JM

“ Jean McLaurin lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Barbara Harris Read



Jean McLaurin - November 10, 2020 at 03:15 PM

PP

“ Pud Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Barbara Harris Read



pud patterson - November 10, 2020 at 08:59 AM