



Mrs. Dixie Blackwood

September 4, 1917 - December 7, 2013

A celebration of the life of Dixie Pool Blackwood, 96, of Henderson will be held at 10 am Wednesday, December 11, 2013 in the First Baptist Church Chapel with Dr. David Higgs and Reverend Bill Tisdale officiating, under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends following the service on Wednesday in the parlor at the church.

Mrs. Blackwood passed from her earthly life on December 7, 2013. The youngest of twelve children, she was born to Ethel Irene (Yandle) and Joseph Dixie Pool of the Church Hill community in Rusk County. Married to John Calvin (Jake) Blackwood on Easter Sunday, 1938, she was a devoted mother, grandmother and great grandmother; a devout Christian and a faithful friend who lived her life in service to others. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Henderson, Texas, for almost 60 years and a member of the (Sunday school class name) at the time of her death. Recognized as a gifted cook, she was at her happiest preparing food for friends and family. Mrs. Blackwood was employed by Safeway for 17 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her daughter (Beverly Blackwood McAlister) and eleven siblings. Having lost her mother at the age of two, she was reared by her beloved sister the late Vennie Pool

Brown Crim.

Mrs. Blackwood is survived by her son, John Barry Blackwood and wife Sharon of Little Rock, Arkansas; son-in-law Nathan McAlister and wife Linda of Longview; grandchildren Jeffrey McAlister also of Longview; Lisa McAlister Reedy and husband Duke of Reno, Nevada; Jennifer Blackwood Esty and husband Wade of Fayetteville, Arkansas and great-grandchildren, Benjamin and Oliver Esty and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to express its appreciation to those friends and relatives who provided the love and support that made it possible for Dixie to maintain her independence throughout the last years of her life with special gratitude to Dolores Winfrey, Marie Sullivan and Mildred Sadler.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to First Baptist Church of Henderson, Texas at 207 West Main St., Henderson TX 75652 and/or the charity of your choice.

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

Previous Events

Service

DEC 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
207 W. Main St.
Henderson, TX 75652

Visitation

DEC 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

WR

“ I remember Dixie when she came to Pilot Club fund raising work days with her sister Vennie. Clun members were always happy to have her help. Also, when I took my grandmother grocery shopping, she always wanted Dixie to check her out. I'm sure she was a special checker to many customers. Sincere sympathy to Dixie's family.

Winnie Ramey - December 10, 2013 at 04:39 PM

EB

“ This sweet lady took 'care' of me when I was fortunate to live in Henderson for a few years - making wonderful dishes & sharing them whenever she could - she literally helped keep me healthy! I miss her terribly but I know how much better she feels now & is happy - that makes me happy.
She has a wonderful son & daughter-in-law who made her life comfortable & secure - she was truly blessed...
Ella

Ella Beal - December 10, 2013 at 03:52 PM

BF

“ John and family,
Your Mother was so special to us. We met her while she was filling in at Faulkner's Antiques during the time June was sick several years ago. Then we became her "farmer's market", sharing garden produce with her. She shared her recipes, her good cooking, and sometimes a bag of candy with us. We never left emptyhanded. But especially she shared her love. We will always miss her. In sympathy, Barbara and Euel Faulkner

Barbara Faulkner - December 10, 2013 at 01:03 PM



“ *Mrs Dixie, Was a Very Special Sweet Lady...Always Spoke To Me , When I would say Hi and Always Got a Hug! I will Miss Her!*



Sue Thompson - December 09, 2013 at 11:14 PM

SD

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Scotty Davis - December 09, 2013 at 08:49 AM

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PA

“ *Mrs. Dixie always had something sweet to tell me when I saw her. She was a very special person to me. I will miss you. Patricia Akin*



Patricia Akin - December 08, 2013 at 03:29 PM

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Scotty Davis - December 09, 2013 at 08:55 AM

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SR

“ Dixie was my mentor and my friend when I first went to work at Safeway when I was 16 years old. She and I shared many laughs (and stories) together when working long hours together and some of the things we shared were OUR secrets alone! She was such a sweet person and she'll certainly be missed. Say hello to "Rudy" for me, Dixie!!!

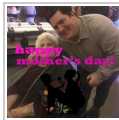


Suzanne Reed - December 07, 2013 at 08:08 PM

AH

I worked with Dixie at Safeway during my college years and after. She treated me like a son. I respected her a lot! Say hello to Rudy and James Holcomb!

Aubrey Hammett - December 08, 2013 at 07:04 PM



Dixie was one of the sweetest ladies I have ever known. She always had a smile on her face, and always remembered me. She was a fine Christian lady, and now will be with the Reason for the Season.

Betty Johnson - December 09, 2013 at 10:49 AM