



## Mrs. Jeffie Allen

June 14, 1928 - December 19, 2014

Mrs. Jeffie I. Griffith Allen, 86, of Henderson, went to be with her Lord and Savior on December 19, 2014 surrounded by her loving family. She was born June 14, 1928 in Rusk County to Sam and Betty Sue Griffith. Mrs. Allen attended Kilgore Junior College, McKenzie Baldwin Business College, Odessa College, and the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. She married Virgil D. Allen on July 12, 1952 and they moved to Longview where she became secretary to the Vice-President and General Counsel for Trice Production Company. She was one of Henderson's first radio talk show hosts on KGRI along with Jim Reeves as disk jockey.

Doyle was transferred to Kermit, TX with Shell Oil Company and Captain Enterprises, and they lived in West Texas for 38 years. During that period Jeffie was the executive secretary to the Superintendent of Schools; whom also served as the Administrator for all schools in Texas. Jeffie retired in 1983 and became a member of the Kermit Garden Club, Kermit Historical Society and various bridge clubs. She volunteered numerous hours researching the Permian Basin Museum for Coal, Oil and Gas. She also did research for the book, 150 years of History of Kermit and Winkler County. Jeffie was also a member of the Henderson Women's Forum and a long time member of First Baptist Church of Henderson. Her family and friends will remember her as a loving mother and devoted wife.

She was preceded in death by: parents, Sam and Betty Sue Griffith; son, Dr. Christopher L. Allen of Parker, CO on November 1, 2010; brother, Revis C. Griffith and wife Thelma M. Griffith; and sister, Ruby Prior and husband Frank Prior.

Survivors include: husband of 62 years, Virgil Doyle Allen of Henderson; twin daughters, Carol Ann Bailey and husband David L. Bailey of Brentwood, TN, and Cheryl Jan Patterson and husband L. Allan (Butch) Patterson of Parker, CO.; granddaughters, Bridget Ann Coker and husband Kyle Coker of Madison, AL., Jennifer Ann Bailey of Antioch, TN., and Rachel Danae Patterson of Parker, CO.; great-granddaughter, Gwendolyn Coker; and many nieces and nephews, and special nieces and their husbands.

The family would like to give special thanks to Jeffie's devoted caregivers, Loretta Moreland and Patricia Evans. They have been so devoted to Mrs. Allen through her illness.

Funeral services for Mrs. Allen will be held at 2 pm on Tuesday, December 23, 2014 in the chapel of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home with her cousin, Rev. Glenn Griffith of Mount Pleasant and Rev. Bob Burroughs of Ozark, MO officiating. Interment will follow at Rusk County Memorial Gardens under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 1 pm until service time on Tuesday, December 23 at the funeral home.

Pallbearers will be Tommy Berry, Kyle Coker, Chance Martin, J.T. Foley, Ronnie Martin, and Tommy Foley.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimers Foundation of America at 322 Eighth Ave., 7th Fl., New York, NY. 10001,

and/or Hospice of East Texas at 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Rusk County Memorial Gardens

Hwy 259 N.  
Henderson, TX 75652

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **23**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

DEC **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Jeffie Allen*



**Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home** - December 22, 2014 at 04:27 PM

RP

*Now on, it's time to play on the movie when my Grammy was alive and back when I was a baby so cute and cuddle*

**Rachel Danae Patterson** - October 12, 2024 at 10:09 PM

LC

“ *Sorry for you loss Mr. Allen and family.*

*Linda Cooper*

**Linda Cooper** - December 30, 2014 at 02:26 PM

BG

“ *I am so sorry to her about Mrs. Allen, she was quite the lady. Loved visiting with the Allen's, and will always have fond memories. Praying for peace and comfort for the family. John & Bonnie Geddie*

**Bonnie Geddie** - December 22, 2014 at 09:22 AM



“ 47 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home** - December 21, 2014 at 04:37 PM

MD

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you, Doyle, and the family. I am saddened at the loss of Jeffie.*

*Mozelle Duncan*

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**Mozelle Duncan** - December 20, 2014 at 07:22 PM